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A TRIP THROUGH THE SAN FRANCISCO MINT

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58th Annual Conventionaires were privileged to enjoy San Francisco's Mint for several hours during an open house at that establishment held for members of our American Numismatic Association.

The entrance to the Mint is impressive as one passes through a stone passageway and up a stone staircase to the portals of the Mint; which are solid looking, and have gun turrets or ports on either side. From and through this entrance we step into the lobby which is large and comfortable looking and has some interesting displays in showcases, too extensive to attempt any discussion of them at this time. From this lobby a stairway takes the party up to the second floor where are placed all of the many workrooms full of machines and equipment for striking coins.

First we enter the metals receiving room, where incoming metal is received, entered on account, weighed, and released as needed to the smelting and refinery detail.

The smelting room contains huge furnaces and boilers and resembles very much a large blacksmith shop. Here is composed into the molten metal the various amounts of each metal required in the finished form. After the roughing work, and the slag and scale have been removed from the blocks of metal, they are passed on to the ingot room.

The ingot room workmen melt these blocks and pour them into molds so that the finished ingots at a guess seem to be pieces of metal about three inches square by fourteen to sixteen inches in length. These may vary slightly in size, but not much as they go on to the rolling room.

The rolling room is arranged on a double assembly line principle and contains six machines on each side. The following figures are but a guess, but do represent the process. The first machine rolls the ingot out to maybe $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick by 26 to 30 inches in length, the next machine takes that piece, and rolls it out to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick by 60 inches long, the third machine further reduces this down to $\frac{3}{8}$ by 120 inches long, and so on, until the last machine of the rolling line reduces this

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into a strip of metal the desired thickness of the coins to be struck. In the same room and continuing the work are four large machines for stamping out planchets, and this is done using the rolled out pieces of metal, which we followed through the rolling mills. These planchets pour out of the machines at a great rate and into containers placed to receive them. The scrap from this operation is sent back to be remelted. The planchets pass on down the line to the annealing room.

Annealing is the process of heating and cooling the planchets to make the metal the right hardness. The annealed planchets are then washed in a chemical solution for thirty minutes and polished for twelve minutes. Planchets are then weighed to a very exact weight and pass through an inspection for defective pieces to be removed and returned to be remelted to the ingot room.

The acceptable planchets are next put through an Upset machine; this machine, in language as near as I can say, rather crimps or flanges up the edge of the planchet so that on a quarter size planchet it looks as though one had placed a smaller coin on the quarter planchet and pressed the smaller one into the other, leaving a rim or depression in the quarter planchet all the way around the perimeter. The planchets are now ready to be sent through the presses and stamped into coins.

The stamping of coins on the presses is intricate and fascinating to watch. The reverse die is on the bottom, the obverse die on top, the collar which is the part of the equipment that reeds the edge of the coin is in conjunction with both dies, so that the struck coin in all details is completed at one stroke of the press, at the rate of about five thousand coins an hour. The planchets from one cent to fifty cents size are fed to the press by an automatic dual feed control assembly. Coins larger than a half dollar in size must be fed to the press by hand. The life of the dies is about 500,000 coins. These dies are closely accounted for and numbered and are replaced as necessary. Reverse dies can be and are used in succeeding years until thoroughly worn out.

There are twenty-three presses in the "S" Mint and some date back to 1868 and are still working splendidly; other newer equipment only a year and a half old is the latest, fastest and finest machinery of its type now in operation. Speaking of speed, these twenty-three presses are capable of turning out 1,500,000 coins in eight hours, at capacity; however, only eighteen presses are now in operation and are turning out approximately a million coins an eight-hour day. The pressures exerted by these presses are adjustable and vary for the different denominations. The dollar requires 110 tons of pressure, half 90 tons, quarter 60 tons, nickel 75 tons, cent 50 tons, and the dime 40 tons.

Finished coins are again weighed in adjusting machines on scales so sensitive that they are behind glass, so that the operator's breath will not affect the accuracy of the weighing, and faulty coins are again rejected and sent back to be remelted.

The first "S" Mint was established in 1854 at Kearney and Montgomery streets in San Francisco, and relocated at Fifth and Mission in 1874. Since 1937 the "S" Mint has been on the present site and is impressive and modern in design.

The workmen, guards, and officials were all congenial and helpful

in answering questions pertaining to their work, tending to get technical and then getting back to earth and explaining in more simple language the fine job they are doing. Joe Steele, chief coiner, and Geo. B. Gillin, superintendent, were kind and considerate, and must have been tired out with so many people passing through their offices and asking so many questions. It was due to Mr. Gillin's efforts that numismatists and conventionaires were allowed to inspect the Mint and it is hoped that in the future it will be possible, at scheduled times, for parties again to pass through this building which is where our prize "S" Mint specimens are manufactured; 103 million pieces so far in 1949, which of course includes those struck for thirty-four foreign countries.

This trip was thoroughly enjoyable to any numismatist and it is my desire that those who read this article will so realize, and will derive some of the pleasure of those who were in attendance at our recent Convention.

PAPER MONEY OR COINS — WHICH?

By W. A. PHILPOTT, JR., A.N.A. 1978

Money of one kind or another circulating today in the United States totals more than 28 billions of dollars. Metallic coin, outstanding at this time, represents only a small percentage of this, perhaps less than one-half billion dollars. Thus, the science of numismatics should depend much more on the printing and engraving arts than it does on the coining presses. But collectors of paper currency in this country are greatly in the minority — probably one paper money enthusiast to five hundred coin addicts. The reasons for this uneven ratio between coin and currency collectors are obscure and controversial.

The purpose of this discussion therefore, is to point out advantages paper money collecting offers the student of numismatics, the average hobbist, whether he be rich or poor, old or young, a beginner, or an advanced collector. Only the large sized notes, replaced by our modern currency in 1928, will be considered in this paper. Postage and Fractional currency, a regular issue still redeemable at face, is an important branch of numismatics in itself, and will not be touched here. There are varieties and kinds of paper money aplenty to keep the interest, tax the time, and play havoc with the bank account of any collector.

Between 1861 and 1928 the U.S. Treasury issued eleven different kinds of large sized notes for general circulation: Demand Notes, Compound Interest Notes; U.S. Treasury Notes; Gold Certificates; Silver Certificates; Coin Notes; National Bank Notes; National Gold Bank Notes; United States Notes; Federal Reserve Notes; and Federal Reserve Bank Notes. Except the Demand Notes of 1861, all paper money bears the Seal of the Treasury of the United States: displaying thirteen distinct designs; showing ten different sizes; and printed in eight separate colors, running into scores of shade variations. Denominations of these totaled thirteen: \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000.

As if this variety of kinds of money, denominations, seals, and ink colors were not enough to keep the collector on the alert, two officers

of the Treasury Department signed the notes. The Register of the Treasury and the Treasurer signed all kinds and series from 1863 to 1915 — totaling 43 different signature combinations. Then the National Bank Notes, the National Gold Bank Notes, the Federal Reserve Bank Notes, in addition to the names of the Register of the Treasury and Treasurer, carry the names of the Cashier and President of the particular bank issuing the currency. The Demand Notes of 1861 were signed by Government employees "For the Register" and "For the Treasurer." Early Gold and Silver Certificates bore three signatures: Register of the Treasury, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. With the advent of the Federal Reserve Notes, series of 1915, the two officials whose signatures appeared were the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Treasury — which officials have their names on our currency today.

Thus, there is an almost endless variety of currency to attract the collector: various kinds, designs, seals, ink colors, signature combinations, different sorts of paper, and denominations. Coin fanciers boast of 74 known varieties of the 1794 cent, some differences being very minute. Paper money collectors recognize 130 different notes in the Federal Reserve Bank Note series alone, and two new combinations turned up last year. The collectors of great means go after coins with only half a dozen known specimens; while there are several rare notes with only two known to exist. Competition raises the value of the 1804 dollar (two dozen known) into the four and five column. While the \$50 Coin Note of 1891 (only 23 outstanding on the Government's books, and probably half of those lost, burned, destroyed) sell for double face, \$100!

Paper currency is much easier to preserve than coins. An uncirculated specimen, protected simply in a cellulose acetate container, will remain uncirculated. There will never be "slight cabinet wear." It can be handled and examined freely by amateurs, experts, even children — breathed upon, dropped on concrete or marble floors, exposed to humid air and swiftly changing temperatures — still, an uncirculated note will remain uncirculated, bright, desirable. There will be no "light hairlines" to mar the beauty of the original surface, no nicks and scratches to be mentioned in the catalogue description, no tarnish or corrosion pits, no lightly struck dates or planchette defects. Once an uncirculated note always one — and with very little housing care and attention by the collector. With paper money, there is no tarnish-proof wrappings, no periodic cyanide baths, no fear that a misty morning atmosphere or dusty corner of the safe will cloud a proof surface. And because all ragged, dirty, well-worn pieces of currency quickly find their way into the redemption Department of the Treasury, classifying condition of currency is simple: fine, extremely fine, uncirculated — just as simple as that — three classes of condition, and no varying degrees of fineness to confuse.

Then, paper currency is easily carried and stored. If housed in convenient albums, holding 50 to 100 notes each, a book of currency can be tucked away in the pocket, become another "book" on the library shelves, fits handily into a brief case. Currency is not heavy, it will not rattle, and has no appearance of a treasure chest, when transported to and from home, the office, the bank vault. These books can be numbered, so that an inventory of holdings and location of any particular note are easy and quick operations.

Coins come a poor second to currency in the matter of beauty. Of necessity, coins are small, compact, and lend themselves not so well to the pictorial effects. About all to expect of U. S. coins are a symbolic head for the obverse, an eagle for the reverse, with scant or crowded lettering, variously placed — all with an eye to “stacking well” or “protecting the high points” from circulation wear. Work in metals can be artistic — yet medalllic art as relates to our coinage is restricted and doomed to monotony by size of piece and unyielding nature of the material. For instance, all half dollars from 1916 to the present are identical, year after year, except a minute mint mark and the date — not enough difference to keep a collector interested.

Currency lends itself naturally to beauty of design, variety of subject matter, and artistic character of engraving. Many of our notes are truly works of art: portraits of our great leaders of the past, paintings of historic and educational value, executed by artists and engravers of renown. Many notes, particularly of the early days, are specimens of as fine graphic art as any picture hanging in the art galleries. Engravers on steel, lithographers on stone, turned out notes for our Government, through the years when folks had more time, which delight the eye of him who admires beauty in his engraving and printing.

The most common objection raised to paper money collecting is that it “ties up too much money.” This is a fallacy, and we have heard it from men who do not blink an eye at paying \$100 for a copper cent. These same collectors refuse to pay \$22 (10% above face) for a \$20 note, which the Government will redeem for \$20 at any time. We would like to see owners of coins collect more than face from the Government for any of their rarities!

The most legitimate objection to currency collecting is that books on currency are few, and inadequately cover the subject. There are no works on U. S. Paper money which will give much aid to the beginner. There are some check lists — but they are incomplete and give little information. Today the only way to know currency is to study the specimens themselves — or talk to someone who has made such studies. Those in the Treasury Department know less than the collector, who is just beginning. Few, if any, dealers in this country have even an average knowledge of currency — not enough to catalogue intelligently paper specimens, which come to their notice. Many of these dealers do not care to “bother,” as they call it, with currency. This is understandable when it is considered how few persons are interested in forming a U. S. Currency collection; and the further fact that no dealer has or can secure stock. We'll hazard the guess that there are not fifteen persons (dealers and collectors) in this country today who know enough about our paper currency to discuss the subject intelligently.

But, in our opinion, the day will come when someone will write a comprehensive book on paper currency; and this branch of our hobby will begin to attract many devotees. Then it may be too late to secure fairly complete collections of U. S. paper money. There is not too much of the old currency outstanding, and the totals are being reduced each day at the redemption department of the U. S. Treasury. Except for a few duplicates in the few representative collections extant, and a meager amount of the common specimens with dealers, acceptable paper cur-

rency at the moment is difficult to find. There may be a few hoards stuffed away in safety deposit boxes — but such a source of supply is uncertain and seldom produces desirable specimens. If a paper money “beginner” came to us, asking where he could obtain a fairly complete collection, how he should go about forming such a collection — we could not tell him where, or give him much advice on the how.

But, perhaps the increasing difficulties which will assail those who attempt to form collections of U. S. paper currency in the future will add zest to the quest. Nearly anyone can pick up at a reasonable price early copper cents, “half dollars a hundred years old,” and even “uncirculated” rolls of coins current in the last 25 years. But it will take a man with a real collector’s heart, perseverance, patience, and hope, besides a considerable amount of “moolah,” to acquire a Number 1 Gold Bank Note or a Jeffries and Spinner set of signatures, in the different denominations.

SOUTH CAROLINA RAILROAD NOTES

By J. V. NIELSEN, JR., Charleston, S. C.

I have recently had an opportunity of studying a considerable amount of material relating to the South Carolina Railroad and its affiliate, the Southwestern Railroad Bank, and have discovered what I believe to be some hitherto unknown varieties of their banknotes.

The notes of the bank, so far as I have seen, all have holes punched in them since they were redeemed at the end of the railroad’s receivership. This too is true of the “receivable” notes of the railroad company.

The Southwestern Railroad Bank was an affiliate of the South Carolina Railroad and to be a stockholder in the bank one had to be a stockholder in the railroad. The railroad was liable for the debts of the bank, but the bank was not liable for those of the railroad. For this reason, notes of the bank were paid off from proceeds of the receiver’s sale of the railroad.

Notes of the Southwestern Railroad Bank, so far as I can determine, were issued only in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100. The \$50 and \$100 denominations were issued in a single sheet, with two of each value to the sheet. Other values were printed four to a sheet.

The first notes bear the date 1838 engraved as a part of the design and were signed by A. (braham) Blanding and James Rose, as president. Those bearing the former signature are comparatively rare. All subsequent issues are signed by Rose as president. A second printing bears the date 1842 and a third, 1849. A fourth printing was made in a tan color, instead of steel gray, and bears no printed date.

About 1845, the railroad company issued notes which were receivable in payment of dues owing the railroad in denominations of \$1, \$2 and \$3, printed four to a sheet. There were two designs of the \$1 and one each of the \$2 and \$3 in the sheet. They were engraved by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson.

These notes apparently were issued by the railroad company instead

of the bank to circumvent a state law which forbade any banks other than the Bank of the State of South Carolina issuing bills of denominations lower than \$5.

Immediately after the war between the states, the railroad company apparently issued change notes in denominations of 50 cents and I have found one printed note, about half the size of the regular banknotes of the period, for \$5. This bears a five-cent United States revenue tax stamp of the period.

In the late 1860s the railroad again issued \$1, \$2 and \$3 notes of the same design as its prewar emission, except that they were printed on a thicker paper and bear the imprint of the American Bank Note company. In a lot of several thousand notes, I found less than a dozen of the prewar issue.



I first detected them by the feel of the paper. The earlier notes are signed by James Gadsden, as president, and the later ones by A. G. Magrath as president. The red lettering across the face, indicating value, also is in a different style. Fine copies of the later issue show a lithographed federal tax stamp in yellow on the face, but this was obliterated by use in most copies.

In 1873, the railroad issued "fare tickets" in denominations of one, two and five, printed in green, and ten and twenty, printed in tan and gray.

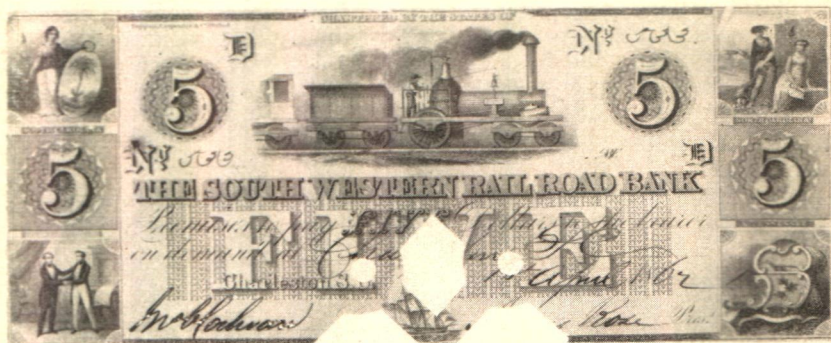
These were engraved by the American Bank Note company and bear no letters to indicate position on the plate. Two ones, a two and a five composed a plate, but the only way the position of the ones may be determined is that the uneven numbers were from the top and the even numbers from the one beneath.

Of the latter two denominations, I found 250 of the ten and 150 of the 20, all numbered consecutively, and all cancelled, so I do not know of the plate arrangement. Unissued sheets of the \$1, \$2 and \$3 notes and of the one, two and five-fare notes show the arrangement for these.

Newspapers of the period show that although these notes were

issued as "fare tickets" they were accepted as money. Notations found on some of them indicate that they were accepted more or less readily by merchants and banks.

This article would not be complete without some mention of the Louisville, Cincinnati and Charleston Railroad company. This was a proposed extension of the South Carolina Railroad from Columbia, S. C., to Kentucky and Ohio.



I have a \$500 note issued by this company and have a "change note" of the Bank of the State of South Carolina, issued during the war between the states, which is printed on the back of a portion of an unissued \$1.75 note of this company. I also have seen another small denomination note of this company, but know little about the issue. This company was dissolved when the extension was found to be unfeasible and its debts taken over by the South Carolina Railroad company.

FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET OF SAN BERNARDINO CLUB

The first annual dinner meeting of the organization was held on the evening of Thursday, September 15, at the YMCA, Ontario, Calif. A fine turnout of 49 members, guests and visitors from adjacent coin clubs were present.

Don Smyser was principal speaker of the evening and he wove an interesting story concerning the events surrounding the famous "Tribute Penny" of Tiberius.

John Lenker, the toastmaster, kept the meeting moving along at a brisk pace. Lew Panosh of San Diego gave a report on the A.N.A. Convention; Dr. C. L. Emmons and Bryan Burke reviewed the club's growth during its short first year's operations. Under the gavel of Sam Kabealo, the meeting concluded with a lively and profitable auction.

The banquet was accompanied by an exceptional exhibit of coins, both as to rarity, condition and variety. Among these were the following: Fred Smith: 1841 quarter eagle. Fred Draper: Gold coin type set of U. S. Dr. Emmons: Mexican gold; U. S. silver slugs; proofs. Vreeland Fraser: U. S. proofs. Ralph Mitchell: Feather money and other curious coins. Don Smyser: Coins of the time of Christ.

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THE ONE KWAN NOTES OF THE MING DYNASTY

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These interesting Chinese notes were existent in China during the reign of Emperor Hung-wu (1368-1398 A.D.). They were the last currency used by the Chinese until 1851 when the use of paper money was again adopted. Its absence is strange when it is considered that paper was invented in China by Ts'ai Lun in 105 A.D. The kwan note is a large rectangular note, slate grey in color. According to legend, Emperor Wu, in wanting to establish a currency difficult to counterfeit, went to the wise men of his realm for advice. They informed him that counterfeiting could only be prevented by mixing the macerated hearts of the great literary men of China with the mulberry-bark pulp. The Empress, however, heard of this and, being of the fairer sex, cringed from the cruel suggestion of the wise men and offered a counter-proposal. She reasoned that the heart of any true literary man was in his writings; therefore, it would be appropriate to gather together all the manuscripts on which the great literary men had set down their writings and combine them with the mulberry-bark pulp. This suggestion was adopted and it was thought that the black ink of the calligraphy gave the notes their dark grey color. In reality it was the result of using both the dark outer and white inner bark of the mulberry tree for the fabrication of the paper.

Marco Polo in his travels gives an interesting account of the currency used by the Chinese in the thirteenth century: "In this city of Kanbalu is the mint of the Great Khan, who may truly be said to possess the secret of the alchemists, as he has the art of producing money by the following process.

"He causes the bark to be stripped from those mulberry trees, the leaves of which are used for feeding silkworms, and takes from it that thin inner rind which lies between the coarser bark and the wood of the tree. This being steeped and afterwards pounded in a mortar, until being reduced to a pulp, is made into paper, resembling in substance that which is manufactured from cotton, but quite black. When ready for use he has it cut into pieces of money of different sizes, nearly square, but somewhat longer than they are wide. Of these the smallest pass for a half tournois; the next size for a Venetian silver groat; others for two, five and ten groats; others for one, two, three and as far as ten bezants of gold. The coinage of this paper money is authenticated with as much form and ceremony as if it were actually of pure gold or silver; for to each note a number of officers, specially appointed, not only subscribe their names, but affix their seals also. When this has been regularly done by the whole of them, the principal officer appointed by his Majesty, having dipped into vermilion the royal seal committed to his custody, stamps with it the piece of paper so that the form of the seal tinged with the vermilion remains impressed upon it. In this way it receives full authenticity as current money, and the act of counterfeiting it is punished as a capital offence. When thus coined in large quantities, this paper currency is circulated in every part of the Great Khan's dominion; nor dares any person, at the peril of his life, refuse to accept it in payment. All of his subjects receive it without hesitation, because wherever their business may call them, they can dispose of it again in the purchase of merchandise they may require; such as pearls,

jewels, gold or silver. With it, in short, every article may be procured.

"Several times in the course of the year, large caravans of merchants arrive with such articles as have just been mentioned, together with gold tissues which they lay before the Great Khan. He thereupon calls together twelve experienced and skilful persons, selected for this purpose, whom he commands to examine the articles with great care, and to fix the value at which they should be purchased. Upon the sum at which they have been thus conscientiously appraised he allows a reasonable profit, and immediately pays for them with this paper. To this the owners can have no objection, because as has been observed, it answers the purpose of their own disbursements; and even though they should be inhabitants of a country where this kind of money is not current, they invest the amount in other articles of merchandise suited to their own markets.

"When any person happens to be possessed of paper money which from long use has become damaged, they carry it to the mint, where, upon payment of only three per cent, they receive fresh notes in exchange. Should any be desirous of procuring gold or silver for the purposes of manufacture, such as of drinking cups, girdles, or other articles wrought of these metals, they in like manner apply to the mint, and for their paper obtain the bullion they require.

"All of his majesty's armies are paid with this currency, which is to them of the same value as if it were gold or silver. Upon these grounds, it may certainly be affirmed that the Great Khan has a more extensive command of treasure than any other sovereign in the universe."

When Marco Polo returned to his home in Venice after an absence of twenty-six years, he had considerable difficulty in convincing his fellow Venetians in such tales as the above, as during the thirteenth century paper money was non-existent in Europe.

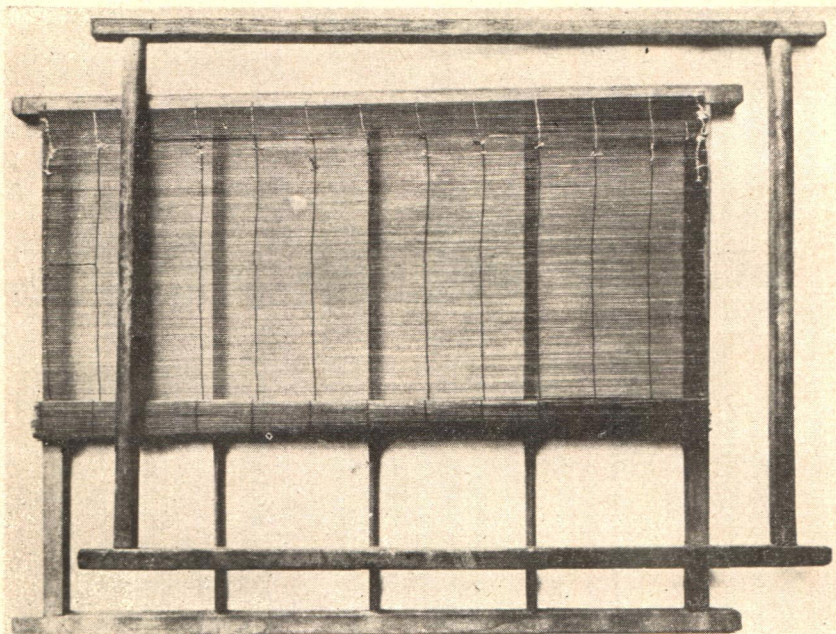
The paper on which the note was printed is composed of mulberry-bark fibres, which were obtained by placing the bark in limewater until fermentation took place. The mass was then removed to a mortar where it was beaten to a pulp by means of a pestle or mallet. These separated fibres were then placed in a stone or wood vat and mixed with water.

The paper mould used was of the "laid" type, that is the screen of the mould consisted of long thin strips of rounded bamboo stitched together at regular intervals with horsehair. The bamboo strips and horsehair stitching made marks or indentations, which can be readily seen when the paper is held to the light. The marks or indentations left by the bamboo strips are known as "laid lines," and the impressions made by the horsehair stitchings are known as "chain lines," as the stitching over and under the strips formed a chain appearance. In the Ming notes of my collection there are ten laid lines to the inch with the chain lines varying from $1\frac{7}{8}$ to $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches apart. This variation is due to the use of a number of different paper moulds.

The "laid" cover was placed over a wooden framework and then both mould and cover were immersed in the vat so the suspended fibres could be caught on the matting; the excess water passing through the narrow openings between the bamboo strips. Overflow of the thin pulp was prevented by bamboo rods laced to the extremities of the mould cover, and two wooden sticks held in the hands of the vatman parallel

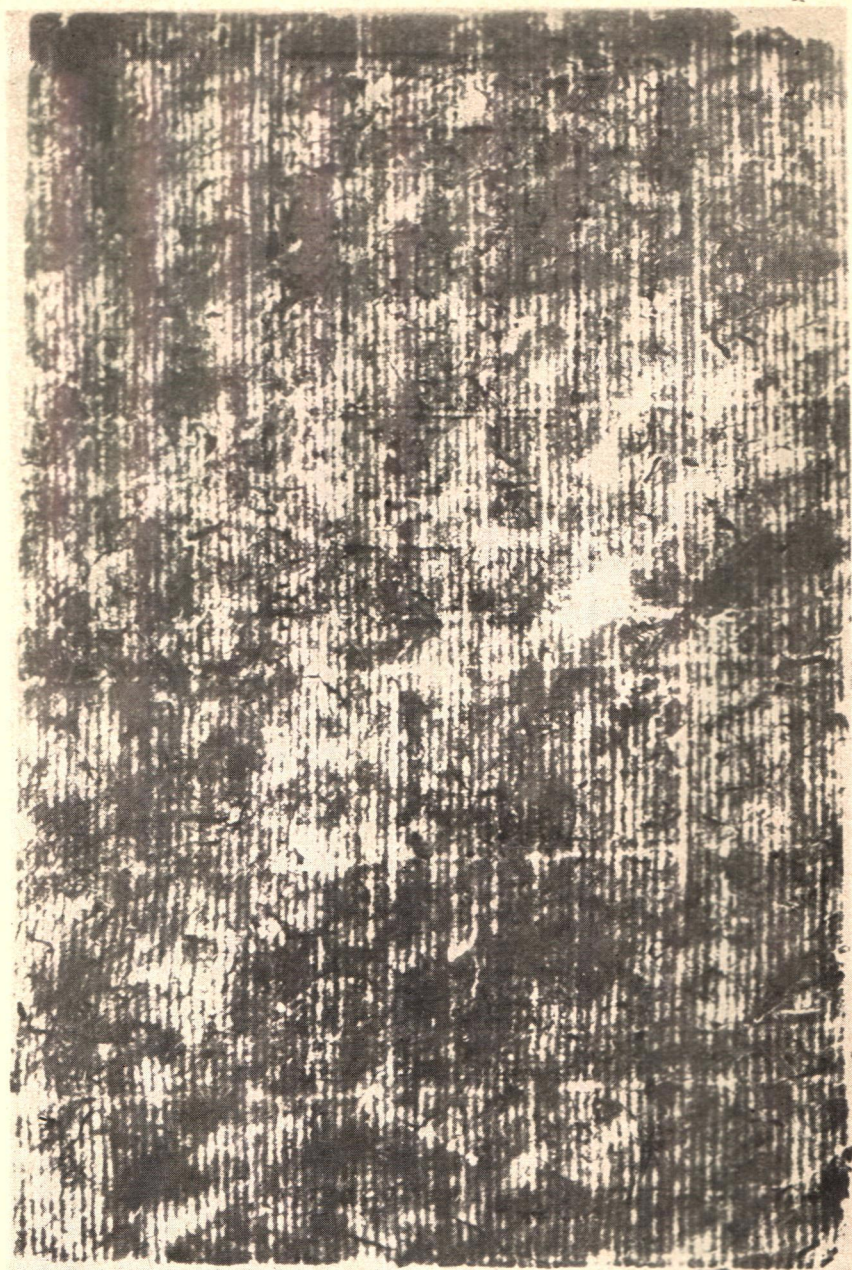
with the chain lines and at the outer edges of the cover. The moist sheet of paper on the mould cover was then transferred or couched by lifting the matting from the framework and depositing it on a flat board, one sheet upon another. After a sufficient pile had been couched, a flat board was placed on top of the pile and the excess water was then pressed from the sheets by placing a number of stones on top. The sheets were then separated and placed on a flat board to dry.

The notes were printed from a woodblock by placing the paper over the inked block and rubbing the uppermost side with a pliable flat tool, covered with coir fibre.

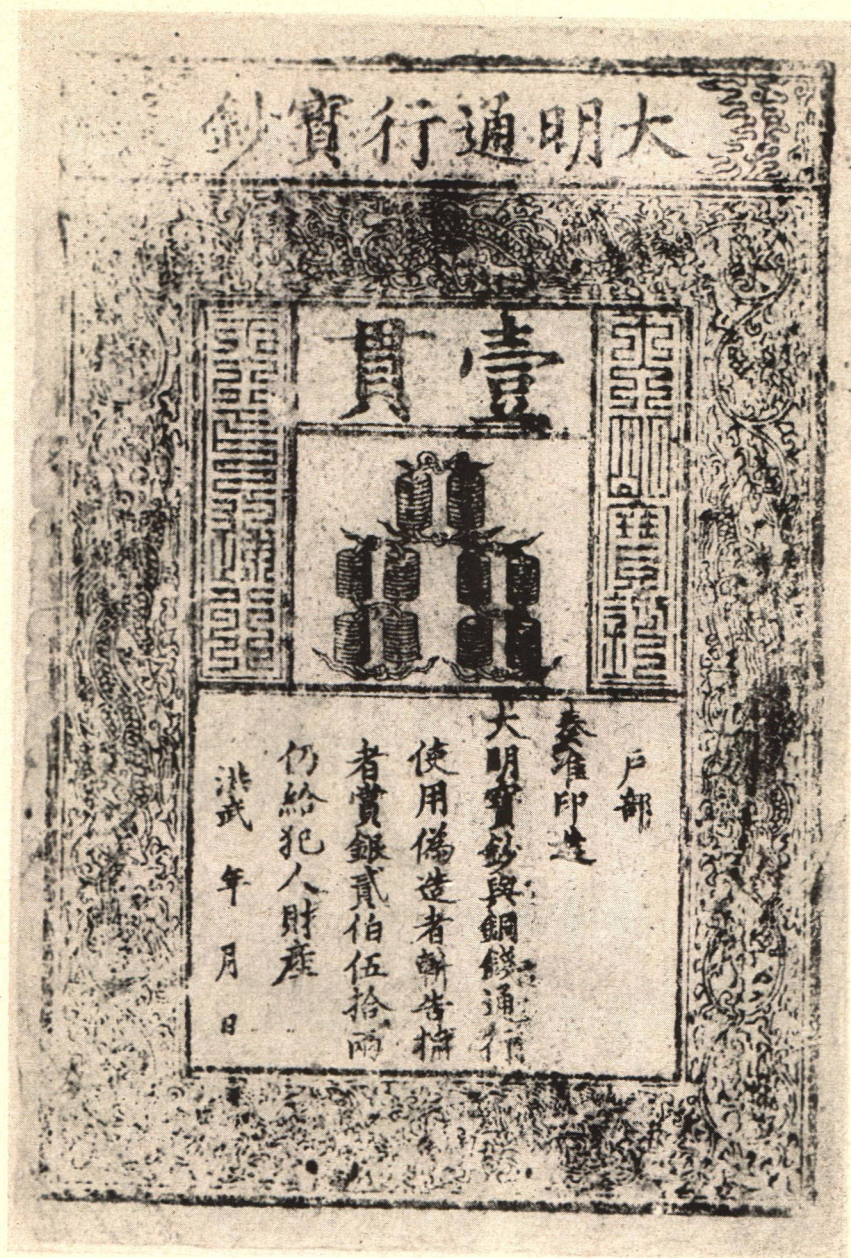


A "laid" mould similar to the type used for making the paper for the one kwan Ming notes during the reign of Hung-wu (1368-1398 A.D.). The mould cover consisted of cylindrical bamboo strips laced together with horsehair.

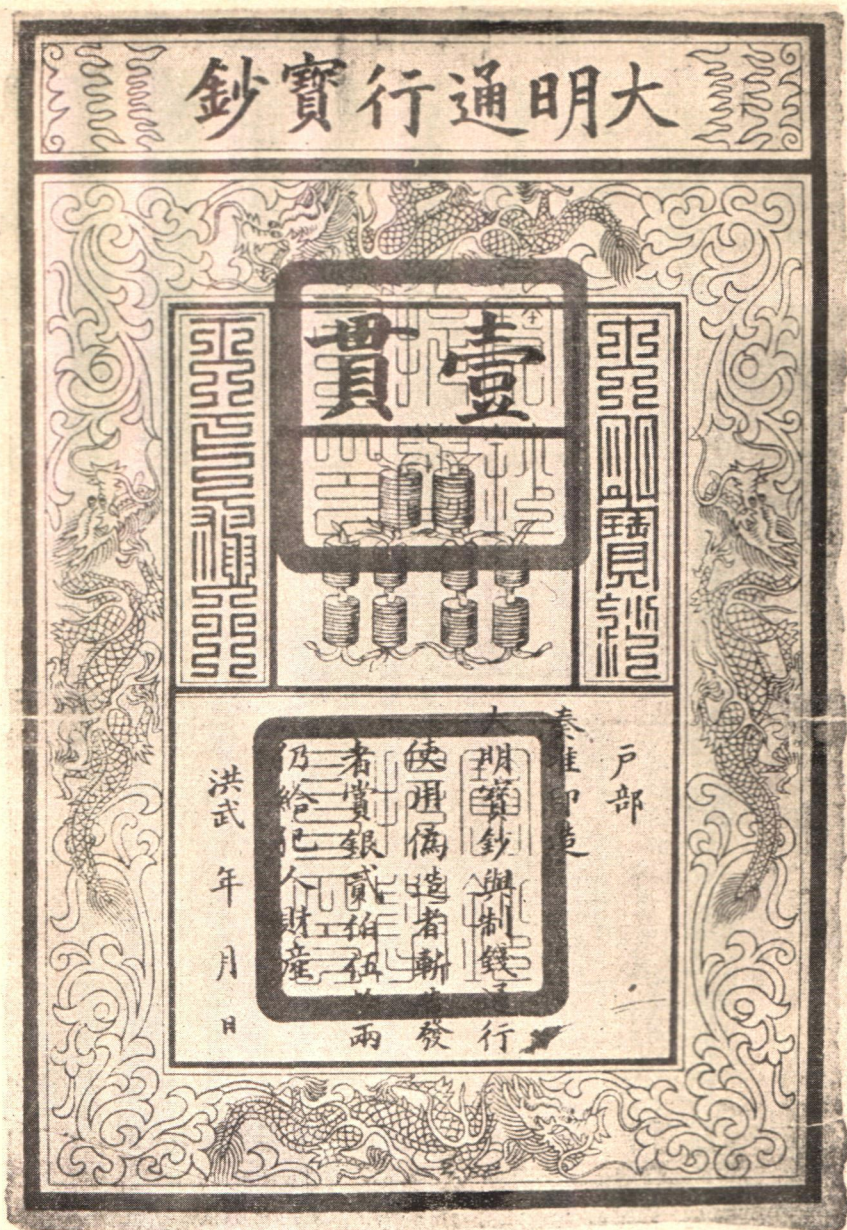
The black ink was composed of lampblack made by placing twisted cotton or hemp wicks in a bowl of oil which had been pressed from fir wood. A metal cone was placed over the burning wicks and soon became coated with the black powder. This was then scraped off and when mixed with water was ready for printing. The ink used for the Ming notes is readily soluble in water, which can be observed by moistening a small portion of the printing and rubbing a piece of paper over the damp character. The printing was transferred to the paper in reverse, which would not be possible had the lampblack been mixed with oil or lacquer.



A photograph of the one kwan note showing the vertical "laid" lines and the horizontal chain lines.



The reverse of the one kwan Ming note. The vermilion seal is barely visible above the decorative border.



Reproduction of a lithograph of a one kwan Ming note from "The Trade and Administration of the Chinese Empire" by H. B. Morse. This facsimile shows the detail which is lacking in the photograph of an original note. The color of the note is grey; the seals are crimson.

The seals, stamped in three places on the notes, were probably engraved in either stone, metal or wood. These were transferred to the notes, after having been impressed in vermilion ink made from cinnabar, a red mercuric sulphide abundant in China.

The sheet of paper on which the note was printed measures $13\frac{1}{2}$ by $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches and the impression $12\frac{9}{16}$ by 8 inches, having a $1\frac{3}{8}$ inch border. The border, filled in with an arabesque design, contains a series of dragons, the emblem of the Emperor. The top panel contains the inscription (from right to left) "Great Ming General Circulation Treasure-Note." The space within the border is divided into two panels; the upper panel has on each side square seal characters. The translation of the right panel is, "Great Ming Treasure-Note," the left panel reads, "To be current under the heavens." "One Kwan" is written between these two inscriptions in large characters and below is a pictorial representation of ten strings of cash. The lower panel contains the following: "The Board of Revenue, having petitioned and received the Imperial sanction, prints the Great Ming Treasure-Note to be current and to be used as copper cash. The counterfeiter shall be decapitated. The informant and captor shall be rewarded with 250 taels in silver, and in addition shall be given the property of the criminal. Hung-wu, year, month, day." The spaces for the year, month and day were meant to be filled in with a brush, so that each note should bear the date of its issue.

A vermilion seal $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches square is impressed on both the upper and lower panels. The upper seal has six square seal characters arranged as follows:

of Seal	Treasure Note	Great Ming
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The translation of this is, "Seal of the Treasure-Note of the Great Ming Dynasty."

The lower seal also has six characters arranged as follows:

Office Seal	T'i- chu	Treasure Note
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The translation of this is, "Seal of the Office of Superintendent of Treasure-Notes." The translation of T'i-chu is not entirely clear, as to some translators it denotes "Inspector," however the duty of a T'i-chu would make "Superintendent" more nearly correct.

A vermilion seal in square seal characters is also impressed on the reverse of the note with six characters arranged as follows:

Bureau Seal	Treasure Note	Print Made
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The translation of this is, "Seal of the Bureau of the Printed Treasure-Note." Below this seal and within a decorative woodcut border measuring $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch the characters representing "One Kwan" are repeated with the pictorial representation of ten strings of cash.

These interesting old notes came into my possession about fifteen years ago in a rather interesting manner. The notes were discovered at the time of the Boxer Rebellion in 1900, during a fight among some sailors in an old temple in Peking. As the fight ensued, a large bronze Buddha was accidentally overturned, disclosing a hiding place of a bundle of these notes along with a quantity of jewelry. The notes had

probably been placed there during the latter part of the 14th century when paper money became illegal in China. The bundle of notes was discarded by the sailors as having no real value and fell into the hands of the late Dr. Edward Barrett, a fur trader, who had his headquarters at Urga, Mongolia. Dr. Barrett brought the Ming notes with him during one of his many visits to America and in this way happened to be acquired by my family.

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SAVED FROM THE MELTING POT

By **ALLAN SUTHERLAND, F.R.N.S., District Secretary A.N.A.
for New Zealand**

Away down in New Zealand, a country which holds memories for many United States marines who were there during the World War II, the Government has decided to issue a dollar-sized crown piece which was originally planned to commemorate a Royal visit to New Zealand.

Owing to the illness of the King, the visit was cancelled, and immediately the cables stated that the New Zealand High Commissioner for New Zealand in London had these "dollars" on his lap, and did not know what to do with them.

Fortunately, the design was of a general nature, without special reference to the visit save the date, 1949, and the Royal Numismatic Society of New Zealand got busy in an attempt to save these coins. Someone had suggested that they should be melted down for the silver. Meantime the coins were off-loaded from a ship in London, awaiting instructions.

Mr. H. Mattingly, the British Museum authority, was in Wellington at the time and he accompanied the representatives of the Royal Numismatic Society of New Zealand when representations were made to the Secretary to the Treasury, Mr. B. C. Ashwin, that the coins be brought to New Zealand and distributed. These representations were sympathetically received by Mr. Ashwin and subsequently by the Minister of Finance with the result that the coins were saved.

The coins are now in New Zealand, except for a limited number which has been sent to the New Zealand Trade Commissioners in New York, San Francisco and Montreal, for sale to numismatists in North America at two dollars each, postage free.

Numismatists in New Zealand are keenly awaiting the issue of the coins. Large orders have been rolling into the banks, and it is expected that the issue will be rationed here. The coins will be in uncirculated condition taken from mint bags.

Only once before has the New Zealand Government issued a crown piece, in 1935, and ten years later it was sold at 100 dollars. It is not

expected that the value of the new crown will appreciate as steeply, but there will be a premium soon, if the South African experience is repeated. There, the crown piece was issued in limited numbers and rose in value to 20 dollars almost overnight.



The reverse design of the New Zealand piece is a fern leaf within four stars (representing the Southern Cross which is a flag-symbol of the Country). The fern leaf is a national emblem of New Zealand which always appears on the jerseys of New Zealand's famous "All Black" footballers. Actually these footballers are all white, but their jerseys and shorts are usually black, hence the name. All athletes who go from New Zealand have a fern-leaf design on their pockets as the distinctive emblem of New Zealand. A typical feature of New Zealand countryside is the fern and the tree-fern whose graceful fronds give a touch of the exotic tropics to the country. The design is by Mr. James Berry, Wellington.

The obverse of the coin bears the uncrowned head of King George VI—the King who did not arrive. The coin will always be associated with a visit that did not eventuate, but also it will be a welcome addition to the all too infrequent issues of dollar-sized coins in the British Commonwealth.

Numismatists are hoping that in 1954, the centennial of representative government in New Zealand, perhaps another crown piece will be issued, with a change in all the designs of coins in New Zealand, but that event is far off. The lettering on the crown piece 1949 is abbreviated by the omission of any reference to India which has now become a co-partner in the British Commonwealth of Nations.

The issue is limited and those interested should write to the New Zealand Trade Commissioners in the cities mentioned above.

In reality, numismatics is one of the historical sciences, but it has in addition a very special function: it is a study of the social life of man, as seen from the development of coinage, through the ages.

MICHIGAN DEPRESSION SCRIP OF THE 1930'S

By J. J. CURTO, Grosse Pointe, Michigan

A TENTATIVE LISTING

NOTES RELATING TO THE FOLLOWING LIST

Size

Note sizes are given as "A" when it is about the size of our present currency and "B" when about the size of the large old type currency. Actual sizes are otherwise given when possible.

Color

A color description as "black on green on white" indicates black printing on a green background on white paper. "Black on white" indicates black printing on white paper.

The color of the ink used for printing is given first followed by the color of the background if any and last the color of the paper.

Type set

By "Type set note" it is meant a note composed entirely of type in one form or another. It might be lithographed or printed or a combination of the two.

Safety Paper

Safety paper is a paper with a lined lithographed background generally used for checks, etc. It is a paper on which erasures are easily detected as erasures would also erase the lithographed lines and color.

Over stamps

Many of the notes were eventually stamped with interest paid overprints. Because such overprints or over stamps would vary with each interest bearing period, they are not considered varieties and no further mention of them will be made.

Proofs and specimens

Proofs and specimens exist for many of the notes especially when such notes were prepared by a banknote or lithographing Company.

"Specimen" was sometimes printed across the face of some of the regular notes given out for numismatic purposes to distinguish them from the others.

Issues non-existent

Old newspaper files sometimes give accounts of scrip issues and denominations as existing when in reality the issue was only proposed and discussed. I mention this because I found a number of such articles, upon investigation, to be without foundation.

CITY OF ADRIAN

\$1 - Eagle with flag on left. Black on grey safety paper. Dated May 1, 1933. Back, black on green. Size A.

\$5 - Similar.

\$10 - Similar.

ADRIAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

\$1 - Similar to city notes except for issues.

\$5 - Similar.

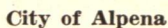
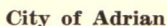
\$10 - Similar.

CITY OF ALBION

50¢ - No description available - A Trade scrip redeemed with stamps affixed to reverse.

ALMA

\$1 - Alma Home Owned Merchants Trade Dollar. Roosevelt in oval on left. Black on green on white. Dated April 10, 1933. Back, green with dates for trade stamps in red. Size B.



CITY OF ALPENA

- 25¢ – Presumably similar to 50¢, colors not available.
50¢ – Type set tax anticipation note with dark orange ornamental border. Maroon on orange on white. Dated March 15, 1933. Back, green with large 50¢ in maroon in center. Size A.
\$1 – Presumably similar except color.
\$5 – Similar.

CITY OF ANN ARBOR

- 1¢ – Type set note – City Scrip Money – Redeemable at City Commissary. Not dated. Front and back, black on grey. Size 2½" by 5¾".
5¢ – Similar except black on yellow.
10¢ – Similar except black on rose.
25¢ – Similar except black on orange.
\$1 – Similar except black on blue.

ANN ARBOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TRADE DOLLAR

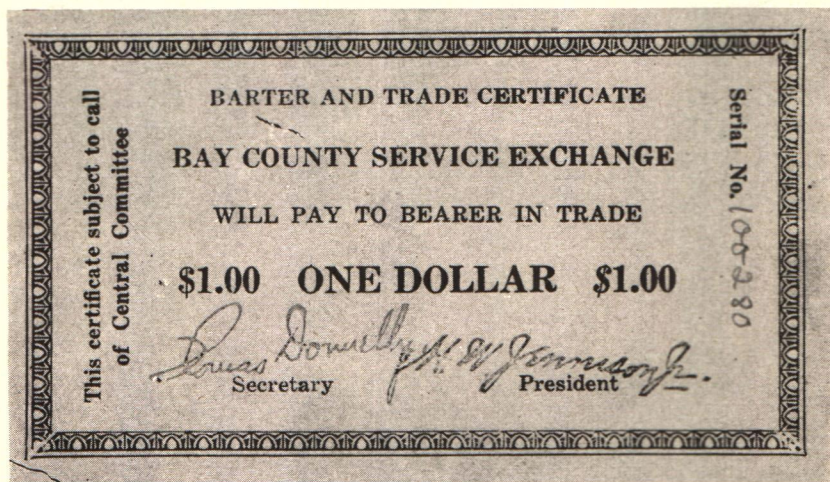
- \$1 – Type set note. Blue on yellow safety paper, not dated. Back spaced for 2 cent trade stamps. Size 3½" by 6½".

BAD AXE COMMUNITY CLUB TRADE DOLLAR

- \$1 – A trade dollar note similar to the Howell trade dollar. Back spaced for trade stamps.

BAY COUNTY SERVICE EXCHANGE

- 5¢ – Type set note. Barter and Trade Certificate, not dated. Black on grey. Plain back. Size 2½" by 4¾".
10¢ – Similar.
25¢ – Similar.
50¢ – Similar.



- \$1 – Similar.

CITY OF BELDING

- 5¢ – Type set-tax warrant note. Blue on yellow safety paper. Dated July 15, 1933. City seal at left. Plain back. Size 2½" by 6".
10¢ – Similar on olive safety paper.
25¢ – Similar on green safety paper.
50¢ – Similar on pink safety paper.
\$1 – Similar on blue safety paper. (No. in upper left corner in red.)
\$5 – Similar on grey safety paper. (No. in upper left corner in red.)
\$10 – Description not available.
\$20 – Description not available.

BELDING SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9

\$10 — Description not available.

\$25 — Description not available.

CITY OF BENTON HARBOR

5¢ — Ornamental type set tax anticipation note. Black on grey green safety paper, dated July 10, 1933. Back also black on grey green. Size A.

10¢ — Similar.

25¢ — Similar.

50¢ — Similar.

\$1 — Similar.

\$5 — Similar.

BENTON HARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

5¢ — Ornamental type set delinquent tax warrant. Black on green safety paper with serial number in red. Dated May 29, 1933. Back also black on green. Size A.

10¢ — Similar.

25¢ — Similar.

50¢ — Similar.

\$1 — Similar.

\$5 — Similar.

BENTON HARBOR MALLEABLE INDUSTRIES

\$1 — Type set note, black on olive safety paper with manufacturing scene in center in orange, dated 3/6/33. ONE DOLLAR in ornamental design in center. Back has list of firms which will accept scrip at par. Size 3 1/16" by 6 15/16".

\$5 — Similar on aqua colored safety paper.

\$5 — A type set note on pink safety paper. Amounts not over \$5 filled in. Back similar to others.

BIRMINGHAM — SCHOOL DISTRICT

Series A. Dated 1931

\$5 — School District No. 1. Fractional — Bloomfield, Troy, Royal Oak and Southfield Townships, Oakland County. A large type set note, black on green safety paper with denomination and serial number in red. Space for signatures of president and secretary at lower right. Size 4 3/4" by 8 1/4". Plain back.

\$10 — Similar.

\$100 — Similar.

\$5 — Series B. Similar to series A note except spaced for 3 signatures, the president and secretary at lower left and business manager at lower right. Dated 1932.

\$10 — Similar.

\$1 — Series C. Type set note, black on buff safety paper with denomination and series No. in red. Dated 1933. Size 2 1/8" by 6". Back also black on buff.

\$5 — Similar on yellow safety paper.

\$20 — Similar on bluish safety paper.

\$1 — Series D. Similar to C Series on light green safety paper. Last number of date 193— written in.

\$5 — Similar on medium green safety paper.

\$10 — Similar on yellow safety paper.

\$1 — Series E. Similar to D except date all written or stamped and slightly different green safety paper.

\$5 — Similar on medium green safety paper.

\$1 — Series F. Similar to Series E except signatures.

\$5 — Similar on medium green paper.

THE DETROIT FOUNDERS CORPORATION

BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN

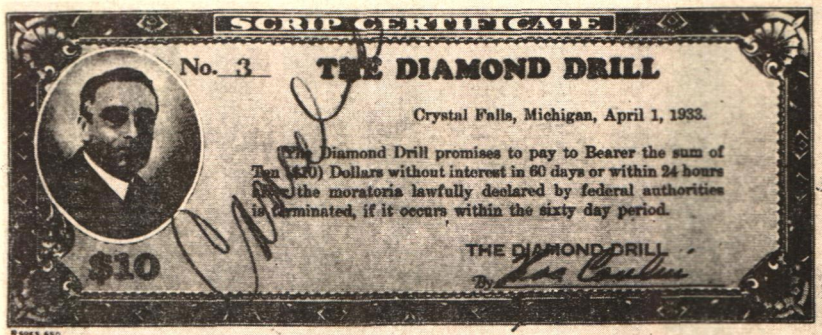
\$1 — A type set note (3% interest) dated July 15, 1933. Black on green safety paper. Blank reverse. Size 2 5/8" by 6 1/8".

\$5 — Similar.

\$10 — Similar.



Birmingham School District



Crystal Falls - The Diamond Drill

CADILLAC BOARD OF EDUCATION

- \$1 - A helmeted female bust on left. Black printing on white paper with figure, border and an ornamental design on back in gold. Dated May 1, 1933. Size 2 15/16" by 6".
- \$5 - Similar except all in black on white.
- \$10 - Similar except figure, border and ornamental design of reverse in grey.
- \$20 - Similar except figure, border and ornamental design of reverse in rose.

CADILLAC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

- 50¢ - A large type set note Cadillac Trade Scrip, Black on green safety paper, dated Mar. 31, 1933. Back spaced for trade stamps. Size 3 1/2" by 6 3/4".
- \$1 - Similar.

CARO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

- \$1 - Caro Trade Dollar. Type set note, black on yellow. Reverse spaced for trade stamps. Size 3 1/2" by 6 7/16".

CHARLEVOIX SCHOOL DISTRICT

- \$1 - An ornamental type set note. Black on light buff dated June 5, 1933. Back black on light buff. Size 3 1/2" by 6".
- \$10 - Similar.
- \$100 - Similar.

CHESANING - G.M. PEET PACKING CO.

(Illustrated in Num. Aug., 1945)

- 25¢ - A type set note, dated Mar. 7, 1933. Black on grey. Plain back. Size 2 15/16" by 6 1/8".
\$1 - Face of note depicts aerial view of the Peet Packing Co. Black on grey. Size 2 15/16" by 6 7/16".

CRYSTAL FALLS - THE DIAMOND DRILL

- 25¢ - Roosevelt in oval on left. Black on rose on white, dated Apr. 1, 1933. Plain back, size B.
50¢ - Similar.
\$1 - Similar.
\$5 - Similar.
\$10 - Similar.

CLAWSON

Voucher form note, no description available.

DEARBORN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7

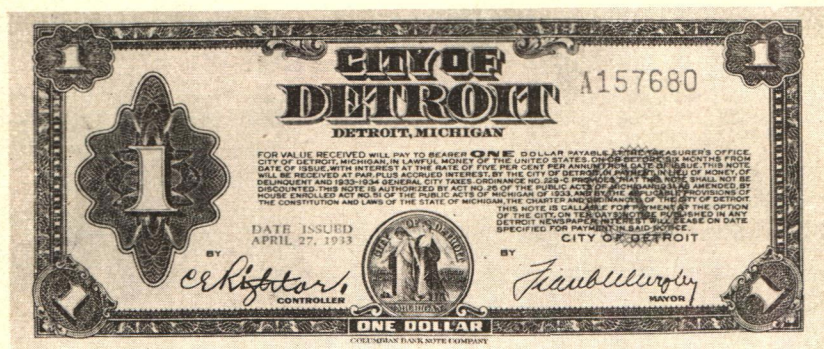
- \$1 - An ornamental type set note, black on white with denomination in yellow and serial number in blue. Dated Apr. 7, 1933. Back a greenish brown on white. Size A.
\$1 - Similar except date June 1, 1933 also in blue.
\$5 - Probably similar.
\$10 - Probably similar.

(DEARBORN) FORDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Illustrated in Num. June, 1945)

- \$1 - An ornamental type set note. Green and blue printing on white. Dated Mar. 15, 1933. Back also green and blue on white. Size A.
\$5 - Similar.
\$1 - Similar dated April 1, 1933.
\$5 - Similar dated April 1, 1933.
\$5 - Similar dated April 1, 1933. (Reverse arranged slightly different.)

CITY OF DETROIT



Series A.

- \$1 - City seal at bottom center. Black on white with seal, series No., and date in blue. Dated Apr. 27, 1933. Green back with city seal center. Size A. Made by the Columbian Bank Note Co.
\$2 - Similar except with seal, number and date in green. Brown back.
\$5 - Similar except with seal, number and date in red. Blue back.
\$10 - Similar except with seal, number and date in grey. Grey back.
\$20 - Similar except with seal, number and date in brown. Orange back.
\$1000 - Purple on white, with seal, number and date in maroon. Purple back.

- \$1 – Similar to 1 above, only dated June 10, 1933.
- \$5 – Similar to 5 above, only dated June 10, 1933.
- \$10 – Similar to 10 above, only dated June 10, 1933.
- \$20 – Similar to 20 above, only dated June 10, 1933.
- \$1000 – Similar to 1000 above, only dated June 10, 1933.

Series B.

- \$1 – Similar to Series A except with "ONE" on each side of seal and dated Nov. 1, 1933. Green back, size A.
- \$5 – Similar to Series A except as noted above for \$1.
- \$10 – Similar to Series A, except as noted for \$1 and with seal, number and date in maroon. Purple back.
- \$20 – Similar to Series A, except as noted for \$1.
- \$1000 – Similar to Series A except as noted. Purple on white with seal, number and date in grey. Brown back.

Series C.

- \$1 – Black on green on white. City seal to left of center. Dated April 16, 1934. Back depicts mechanic with hammer and value in blue. Size A.
- \$5 – Similar with back in green.
- \$10 – Similar with back in brown.
- \$20 – Similar with back in purple.



\$1000 – Similar with back in maroon.

DETROIT-A&P DOLLAR FOOD CERTIFICATE

- \$1 – A type set food certificate. Black on yellow. Detroit unit, main office, 5470 Hecla Ave., typewritten in lower left corner. Plain back. Size 2½" by 6".

DETROIT CLEARING HOUSE CERTIFICATES



(Issued — but not used)

- \$1 — An ornamental type set note. Black on green, dated Mar. 11, 1933. Watermarked with City of Detroit seal. Back — black on green. Size A.
(Lithographed by the Calvert Litho. Co.)
\$2 — Similar except black on tan.
\$5 — Similar except black on rose.
\$10 — Similar except black on lavender.
\$20 — Similar except black on goldenrod.

DUNDEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

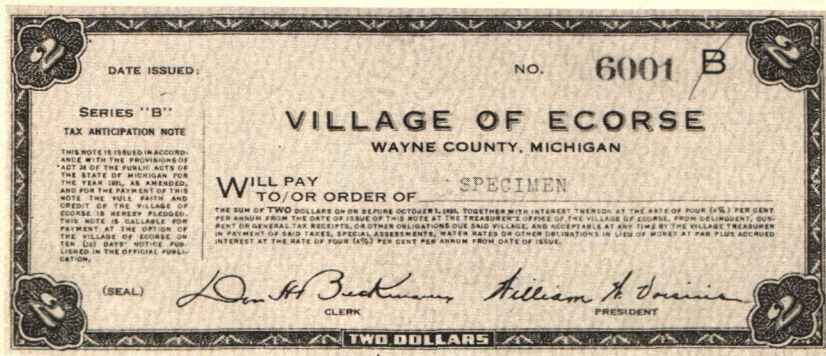
- \$1 — Eagle and wreath at lower center. Black on white with seal and series number in blue. Dated June 26, 1933. Size A. Green back.
\$5 — Similar.

EATON RAPIDS

Scrip issued by Horner Brothers Woolen Mills. Denominations not available.
Eaton Rapids Chamber of Commerce. Denominations and descriptions not available.

CITY OF ECORSE

- \$1 — A type set tax anticipation note with ornamental border. Dark green on light green safety paper. Serial number in red. Date typed in. Series B.
(Only series recorded starting with No. 4001.) Plain back. Size B.



- \$2 — Similar.
\$5 — Similar.
\$10 — Similar.

CITY OF FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

- \$10 Series A — A type set note with a one year 6% interest table on right end. Space for written date at upper right. Specimen notes black on yellow, pink, olive and green safety papers.
\$15 Series B — Similar on green safety paper.
\$25 Series C — Similar on green and pink safety papers.
\$5 Series D — Similar with a one year 5% interest table on right end. Specimen note black on green safety paper.
\$10 Series E — Similar on green, yellow, olive and pink safety papers.
\$20 Series F — Similar on green safety paper.

CITY OF FLINT

- \$1 — An ornamental type set note. Dark green on light green on white, dated April 1, 1934. An arrowhead outlined to right and left. Back rose on white. Size A.
\$5 — Similar.
\$10 — Similar.

SERIES	DATE OF ISSUE	At End of	Total Value
1 C		1 Mo.	\$25.13
		2 Mos.	25.25
		3 Mos.	25.38
		4 Mos.	25.50
		5 Mos.	25.63
		6 Mos.	25.75
		7 Mos.	25.88
		8 Mos.	25.00
		9 Mos.	25.13
		10 Mos.	25.25
		11 Mos.	25.38
		12 Mos.	26.50

THIS NOTE IS CALLABLE FOR PAYMENT BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON TEN DAYS' NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE FERNDALE ENTERPRISE and FERNDALE GAZETTE. INTEREST TO CEASE ON DATE SPECIFIED FOR PAYMENT IN SAID NOTICE.

SCHOOL DISTRICT CITY OF FERNDAL
FERNDAL, MICHIGAN

ONE YEAR AFTER DATE, SUBJECT TO A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, OCTOBER 24, 1922, WILL PAY THE FACE AMOUNT OF THIS CERTIFICATE WITH INTEREST (AMOUNT AS SHOWN AT RIGHT) IN CURRENT FUNDS ON RETURN HEREOF PROPERLY COUNTERSIGNED AND ENDORSED.

(1) SIGNATURE OF PAYEE
(2) COUNTER SIGNATURE OF PAYEE

IMPORTANT — Signature on Line (2) must correspond with signature on Line (1) and also with signature on deposit at Board of Education Office.

Specimen PRESIDENT SECRETARY

Does Not Bear Interest After 12 Months Unless Demand for Payment is Made by Holder and 18 Returned by Board of Education

City of Ferndale School District

CITY OF FLINT
STATE OF MICHIGAN

Series A GENERAL CITY DELINQUENT TAX WARRANT

The City of Flint, State of Michigan, hereby acknowledges itself justly indebted and for value received, Promises to Pay Bearer the Sum of

No. A743 **ONE DOLLAR** No. A743

on or after September 1, 1935, with interest at Four Per Centum at the City Treasurer's Office, Flint, Michigan. This warrant secured by the General City portion of 1931 and 1932 Delinquent Advalorem Taxes. Date of issue — April 1, 1934.

Ray A. Brumell MAYOR
J. J. [Signature] CITY CLERK
[Signature] DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

City of Flint

GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
FLINT, MICHIGAN

No. 50001

Mar. 1 1933

The County Treasurer of Genesee County, Michigan, will pay to the bearer the sum of

FIFTY DOLLARS \$50.00

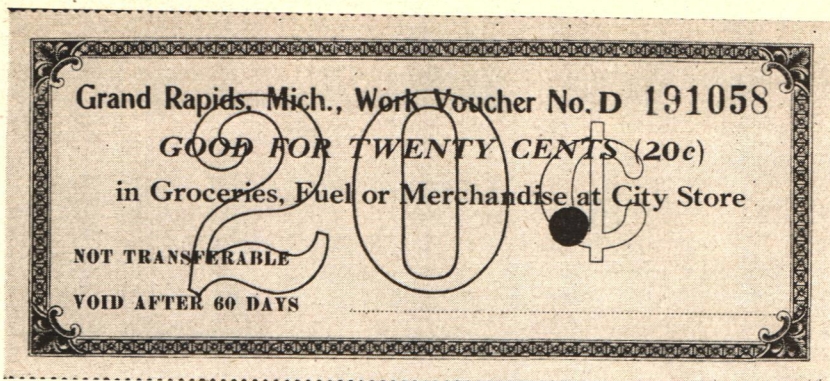
Ninety Days after date with interest at three (3%) per centum per annum until paid

Genesee County will not be liable for the loss of this note, but same may be registered in the name of a payee upon application at the County Controller's Office located in the Genesee County Court House. This note will be accepted by the County Treasurer on any date for the payment of any County taxes. This note is callable for payment at option of Genesee County upon ten (10) days notice published in the Flint Daily Journal. Interest to cease on date specified for payment in said notice.

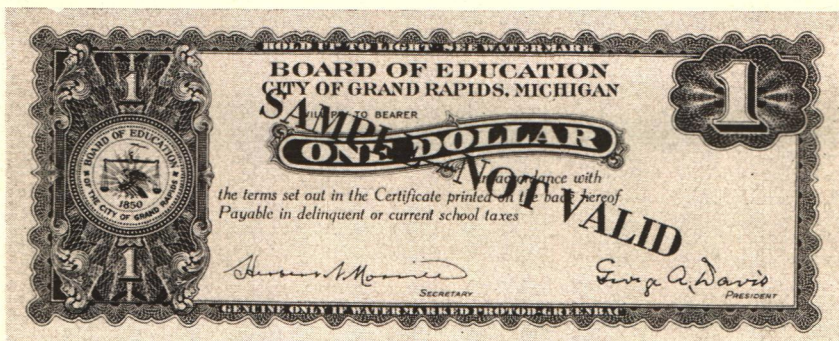
Robert A. Friesen Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
George J. Gundry County Clerk

SEAL OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

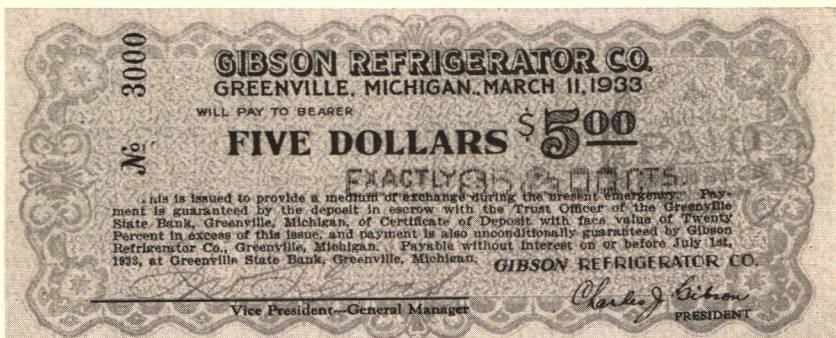
Genesee County, Flint



City of Grand Rapids



Grand Rapids Board of Education



Gibson Refrigeration Co., Greenville

City of Flint Water Department Certificate of Indebtedness
(Issued - but not used)

- \$1 - Quite similar to above City Delinquent Tax Warrants except colors which are dark blue on light blue, on white. Dated April 1, 1934. Back, brown on white. Size A.
\$5 - Similar.
\$10 - Similar.

CITY OF GAYLORD

- 50¢ - No description available.

GENESEE COUNTY, FLINT, MICHIGAN

- \$2 - A type set note. Black on light pink safety paper, with circuit court seal embossed in center, dated 1933. Large letter A in each corner and note number in red. Size 3" by 8". Plain back.
\$5 - Similar on light greenish grey safety paper. Large letter V in each corner and note number in red.
\$10 - Similar on light blue safety paper. Large letter X in each corner and note number in red.
\$20 - Similar on light green safety paper. Large letter T in each corner and note number in red.
\$50 - Similar on gold safety paper. Large letter L in each corner and note number in red.
\$100 - Similar on yellow safety paper. Large letter C in each corner and note number in red.

CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

- \$1 - An ornamental type set note. Black on grey safety paper, dated Apr. 10, 1933, light violet back. Size A.
\$5 - Similar.
20¢ - Work vouchers, not dated. Front and back, black on light green. Size 2 1/4" by 5".
20¢ - Similar except black on rose.
20¢ - Similar except black on white.
20¢ - Similar except black on blue.
25¢ - Similar except blue on yellow.
\$1 - Similar except black on buff.
\$1 - Similar except black on green.
\$1 - Similar except blue on white.
\$1 - Similar except black on yellow.
\$1 - Similar except black on rose.

GRAND RAPIDS BOARD OF EDUCATION

- \$1 - Ornamental note with city seal on left. Black on grey safety paper, dated May 8, 1933. Green back. Size A.
\$1 - Similar except dated April 10, 1933.
\$5 - Similar.

GIBSON REFRIGERATION CO., GREENVILLE, MICHIGAN

- 50¢ - A type set note, black on yellow safety paper with an ornamental light green design in the background. Dated March 11, 1933, size A. Back, denomination continuously repeated in green.
\$1 - Similar to above on bluish grey safety paper.
\$2 - Similar on greyish safety paper.
\$5 - Similar on green safety paper.

CITY OF HAMTRAMCK
Illustrated in Num. Apr. 1945

Series A.

- \$1 - Eagle with wreath at lower center. Black on white with series, seal, number and date in blue. Dated May 1, 1933, blue back. Size A.
\$5 - Similar with series, seal, date and number in green. Green back.
\$10 - Similar with series, seal, number and date in orange, orange back.

Series B.

- \$1 - Similar to \$1 (Series A) except dated July 1, 1933.
\$5 - Similar to \$5 (Series A) except dated July 1, 1933.
\$10 - Similar to \$10 (Series A) except dated July 1, 1933.

Series C.

- \$1 — Similar to \$1 (Series A) except dated Feb. 15, 1934 and with series, seal, number and date in orange.
- \$5 — Similar to \$5 (Series A) except dated Feb. 15, 1934 and with series, seal, number and date in brown.
- \$10 — Similar to \$10 (Series A) except dated Feb. 15, 1934 and with series, seal, number and date in purple.

Series D.

- \$1 — Similar to Series C except dated April 2, 1934.
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- \$10 — Similar to Series C except dated April 2, 1934.

HARBOR BEACH-HURON MILLING CO.

- \$1 — Black on yellow with mill scene in center in orange. Dated May 1, 1933.
Back, black on yellow with spaces to transfer endorsement. Size A.
- \$2 — Similar except black on pinkish paper.
- \$5 — Similar except black on bluish paper.

HARTFORD-MERCHANT AUCTION SCRIP

- 25¢ — Hartford Christmas auction money. Dated for auction Dec. 23, 1933.
Black on yellow paper. Plain back, size 1¾" by 4¼".
- 50¢ — Similar except black on pink paper.



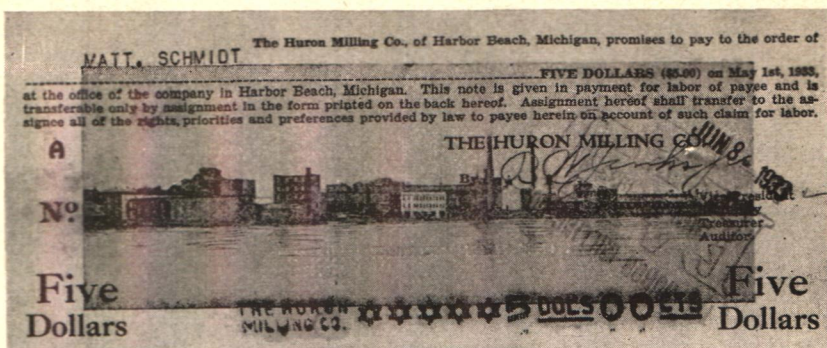
- \$1 — Similar except black on blue paper.

HASTINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION

- \$1 — A voucher type note, black on green safety paper, dated Sept. 28, 1933.
Plain back. Size 3" by 8½".
- \$2 — Similar except black on light green paper.
- \$5 — Similar except black on yellow paper.
- \$10 — Similar except black on yellow paper.

HIGHLAND PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

- \$1 — Type set note — only description available.
- \$5 — Type set note — only description available.
- \$10 — Type set note — only description available.
- \$20 — Type set note — only description available.
- \$50 — Type set note — only description available.
- \$100 — Type set note — only description available.



HARBOR BEACH-HURON MILLING CO.

(To be continued)

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Milton Cottler, left, manager of the 11th annual New Haven Antique Show, held September 19 through 22, discusses numismatics with A.N.A. members James Melton, radio and opera star, and Frank J. Katen, coin dealer of New Haven, Conn. Mr. Melton cut the ribbon at the opening of the show and gave the speech of welcome. In addition, he exhibited one of his antique automobiles, a beautiful 1900 model with a fringe on top, which happens to be another hobby of his. Mr. Katen exhibited a large collection of coins showing the evolution of currency from earliest times to the present day.



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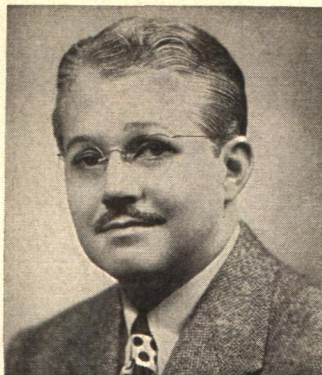
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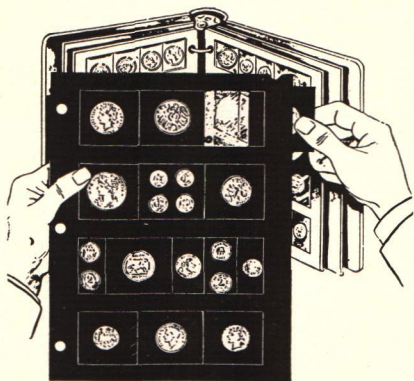
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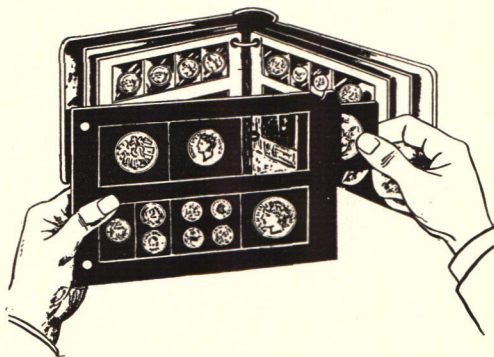
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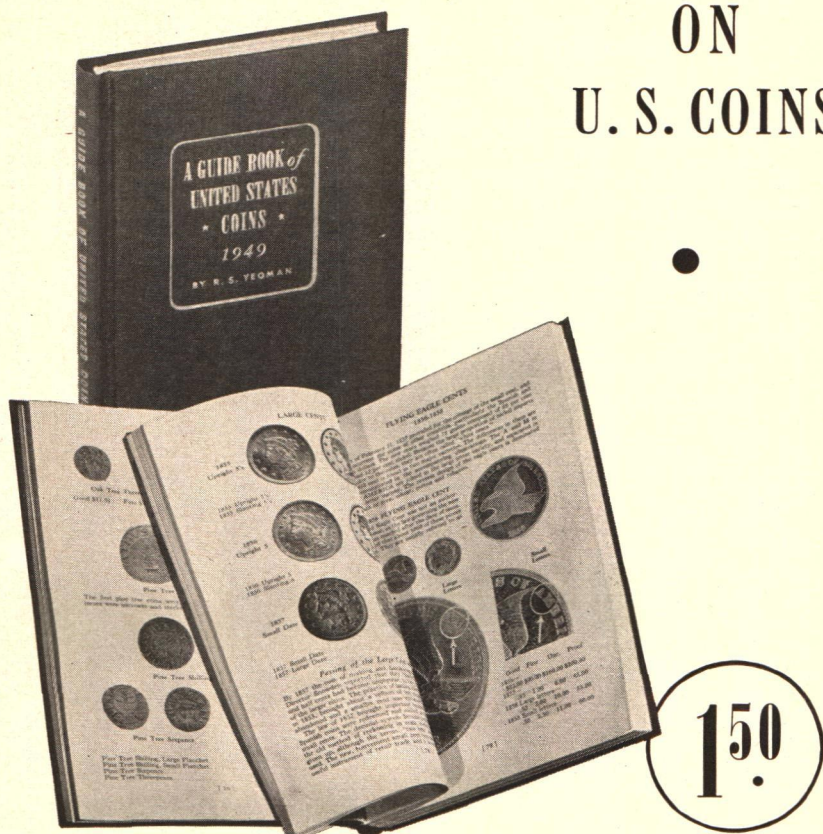


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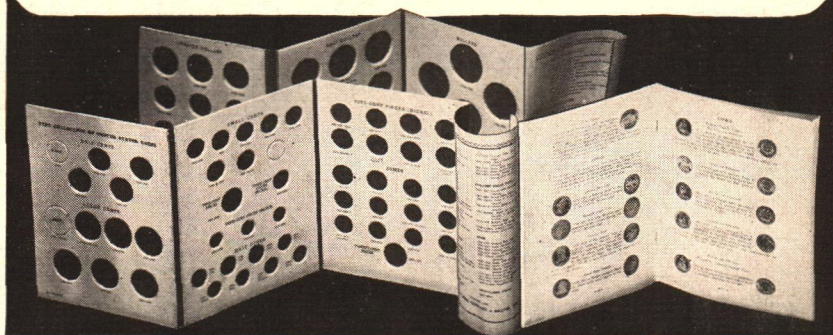


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1888 Iridescent proof	2.00
1889 Brilliant uncirculated	1.25
1889 Red proof	2.25
1890 Brilliant uncirculated	1.25
1890 Red proof	2.00
1891 Brilliant uncirculated	1.25
1891 Brilliant proof	2.25
1892 Brilliant uncirculated	2.25
1892 Brilliant proof	3.25
1893 Brilliant uncirculated	1.65
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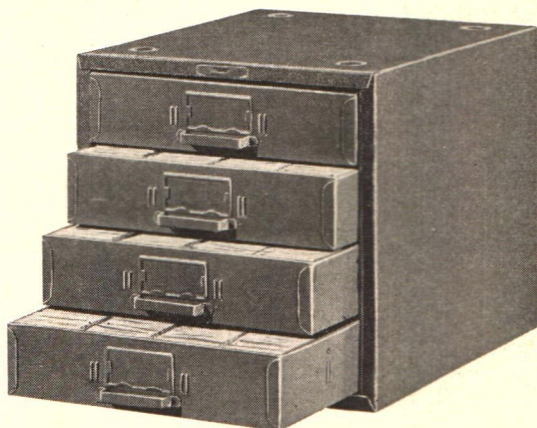
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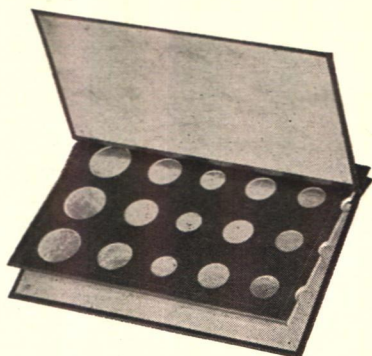
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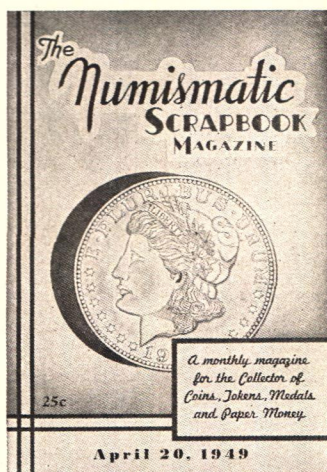
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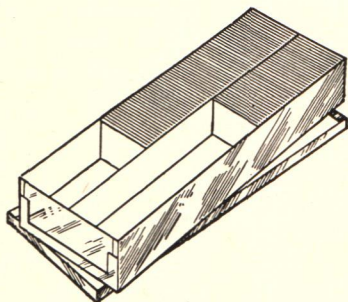
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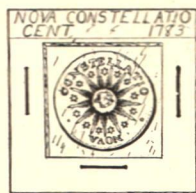
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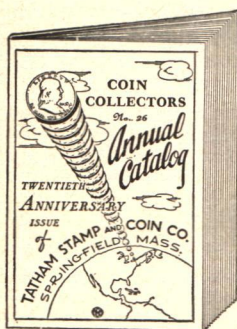
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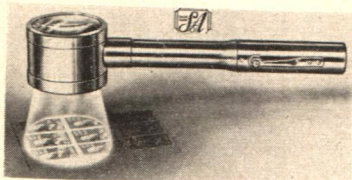
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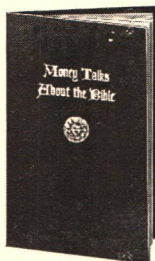
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By DR. A. F. PRADEAU, La Crescenta, California

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The token was submitted by Stack's, New York City, and photographed at the American Numismatic Society Museum, New York City.

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CANADIAN COINS STRUCK DURING 1948

By CAPT. SHELDON S. CARROLL, Ottawa

The year 1948 is unique in Canadian numismatic history as it is the first year in which two complete series of coins, from 1¢ to \$1, have been issued.

As a result of the change in status of India within the British Commonwealth, the title "Emperor of India" was dropped from the King's titles. This necessitated a change in the inscription on the obverse of Canadian coins. The words and abbreviations "D:G: REX ET IND: IMP:" were deleted and "DIE GRATIA REX" substituted therefor. It was decided that all Canadian coins dated 1948 should bear the new obverse inscription. However, the new working dies and master punches, which are prepared at the Royal Mint, London, were not ready until late in the year.

In order to meet the demand for coins early in the year, the 1947 dies were used with the addition of a small finely-executed maple leaf after the "7" in the date. This was to indicate that the coins were struck in 1948, but could not be so dated without the new obverse inscription. All denominations from 1¢ to \$1 were struck and issued.

Later in the year when the new working dies and master punches arrived, another complete series from 1¢ to \$1 was struck, bearing the new obverse inscription and the date 1948.

During the past few months the belief, that the 1947 (maple leaf) coins are scarcer than those dated 1948, has become widely accepted. This is entirely erroneous as a glance at the following figures, taken from the Annual Report of the Royal Canadian Mint for 1948, will show.

	1947 (maple leaf)		1948	
	Struck	Issued	Struck	Issued
1 dollar . . .	21,135	21,876	18,780	8,080
50 cents . . .	38,433	60,484	37,784	35,516
25 cents . . .	4,393,938	4,396,155	2,564,424	2,531,845
10 cents . . .	9,638,793	9,834,242	422,741	365,758
5 cents . . .	9,595,124	10,501,532	1,810,789	1,808,468
1 cent . . .	43,855,448	45,229,605	25,767,779	25,600,395

It becomes immediately apparent that the coins dated 1948 are much the scarcer. One point, however, should be cleared up here before proceeding further. In the figures showing the number "Struck" and "Issued" for the 1947 (maple leaf) coins, there appears to be a discrepancy in that the number issued is greater than the number struck for each denomination. This is easily explained by the fact that the column "Issued," under 1947 (maple leaf), includes not only the coins dated 1947 (maple leaf) but also the remainder of 1947 coins carried over from the preceding year. Therefore the figures that show the number "Struck" is the one that is of prime interest to numismatists as it is these figures that determine the relative scarcity of a coin. This fact is not always well understood, as some reference books on Canadian coins have listed the numbers issued as an indication of the relative scarcity. These figures can be only a general guide at the best. The more accurate figures are those giving the numbers struck and those were the figures used by Fred Bowman in compiling his excellent work on "The Decimal

Coinage of Canada and Newfoundland," *The Numismatist*, March, 1947, pages 197-218.

A little study of the above table will reveal the following interesting facts:

1. The 1948 silver dollar has the lowest mintage, and the 1947 (maple leaf) silver dollar the second lowest mintage, of any Canadian silver dollar issued to date. Both are much lower than either the 1938 (90,304) or the 1945 (38,391) which have recently been selling at considerable premiums.

2. Both the 1948 and the 1947 (maple leaf) 50¢ pieces have a lower mintage than any Canadian 50¢ piece since the scarce 1932 (19,213) 50¢ piece.

3. The 1948 10¢ piece has the lowest mintage of any Canadian 10¢ piece since the scarce 1935 (384,056) 10¢ piece.

4. The 1948 5¢ piece has the lowest mintage of any Canadian 5¢ piece since the scarce 1926 (938,162) 5¢ piece.

Collectors who are interested in completing their Canadian series would be well advised to obtain these Canadian coins which were struck during 1948 while they are still available at reasonable prices. One has only to look at the prices realized at recent auctions to see the startling prices at which some of the quite recent Canadian coins are selling, especially in very fine to uncirculated condition. This indication of an increased interest in Canadian coins marks one of the interesting trends in present day numismatics.

THE IMPORTANCE OF NUMISMATIC BOOKS

By **DAVID M. BULLOWA**, Philadelphia, Pa.

(A paper presented to the American Numismatic Association Convention in San Francisco, 1949.)

If all new collectors would devote their attention to the information which is available in printed form they could be saved many dollars ultimately squandered upon inferior coins or otherwise not as represented, and which due to their lack of knowledge on the subject has proved to be an expensive lesson.

Good publications in each numismatic series are not easy to obtain, but the young collector is advised to keep his numismatic book purchases in direct proportion to his expenditure for coins. In some series, such as foreign or ancient coins, the ratio may be quite high, and the collector is not ill-advised who commences by allotting 20 to 25 per cent of his coin budget to his numismatic library.

For every dollar spent on coins the general collector may well spend 15¢ for information, data, background, translation, symbolism, explanation, etc. Only through proper books can the full meaning be understood, and to have coins and know only a fraction of the story they have to tell is like buying an orchestra theatre ticket and seeing only half the second act, and then believing that you have seen the entire show. Those few collectors who have seen the tremendous amount of pleasure and satisfaction received from even the most insignificant coins

when they have been able to look them up in their own reference works can tell you that numismatics suddenly broadens out on all horizons because of the vast scope of future data available.

Collectors should distinguish between books about coins and numismatic works by competent authorities. The first step is to formulate a general plan of the books wanted and the approximate time allotted. A numismatic library cannot be formed on short order, and it must be balanced as to standard references and secondary sources; specific numismatic topics and general monetary periods.

Many shrewd collectors have been observing the numismatic trends which result in some series being in demand. They study mint reports and base their subsequent purchases upon such figures. Numismatic books have increased vastly in value in the past twenty years. The factors which have caused this are not likely to change other than a further increase due to the continuous limited supply.

To form a general reference library in this field is a comprehensive undertaking requiring not only funds but patience. The collector who has such a project in mind is advised to consult standard references to determine from the bibliography an exact idea of which works in the general field and which works in specific fields are desired. In the United States field there are a number of general books, which are not to be confused with price catalogs or premium lists, which lack many factors. These books give the supplemental data so necessary to make numismatics more meaningful.

In many series the collector need obtain only a single reference and have a fine comprehensive publication covering every detail and with authority, the complete subject. As an example the following may be cited: American half cents for the entire period are completely covered by Gilbert-Elder which discusses die varieties in minute detail and has excellent illustrations, with photographic plates. Many collectors are erroneously guided in the belief that the cursory publications which they may have listing basic dates or types give the complete story. It is only with the ability and skills derived from books such as these which enable young collectors to distinguish common coins from extremely rare die varieties.

It may here be stated, although it is common knowledge, that many dealers believing themselves competent in certain series have sold rare coins for a fraction of their value as they failed to recognize a common basic type from a known very rare variety.

Experience has shown that the purchase of numismatic publications will in the long run pay for themselves through the added information and added value which they give specimens. Notwithstanding this actual fact, many dealers fail to inform themselves properly about the specimens that they have, and generally speaking numismatic books are difficult to sell because so many collectors pursue the shortsighted policy that they prefer placing their numismatic expenditures exclusively for the coins involved and allow no budget for reference purposes. Collectors desiring to extend their numismatic book shelf are urged to refer to the librarians of numismatic institutions and general bibliographies which will help them avoid the pitfalls of expenditures for insignificant publications.

One of the great dangers, if it may so be termed, is obtaining unimportant books in the belief that they are of reference value.

BEGINNERS NUCLEUS

HEPBURN: *History of Currency in the United States*. 1915.

CAROTHERS: *Fractional Money*. 1930.

STEWART: *History of the First United States Mint*. 1924.

CROSBY: *Early Coins of America*. 1875.

GILBERT-ELDER: *United States Half Cents*. 1916.

SHELDON: *Early American Cents*. 1949.

NEWCOMB: *United States Cents*. 1816-57. 1944.

VALENTINE: *United States Half Dimes*. 1931.

BROWNING: *Early Quarter Dollars*. 1925.

BULLOWA: *Commemorative Half Dollars*. 1938.

BEISTLE: *Half Dollar Die Varieties*. 1929.

HASELTINE: *Type Table Catalog*. 1881.

VALENTINE: *Fractional Currency of the United States*.

LIMPERT: *United States Paper Money, Old Series*. 1948.

SWEDISH 8-DALER PIECE IN NEWARK MUSEUM



(Photograph by courtesy of the Newark Museum, Newark, N. J.)

Among the rarities in the numismatic collection of the Newark Museum, Newark, New Jersey, is the Swedish 8-daler piece of copper plate money pictured above. It weighs 32 pounds and is two feet long. It was issued in 1659 by King Charles X of Sweden, along with pieces of smaller denominations. It has been stated that there are only three of the 8-daler pieces in the United States but in all probabilities there are others if they could be located. It would be interesting to learn the whereabouts of each such piece that has reached this country.

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THE CENT COLLECTORS' FORUM

Questions and Answers

From correspondence, it appears that a wrong answer slipped by us in our August Forum. To set the record straight, the question is repeated below with what we believe is more correct information for an answer.

Question: Why is it that so few dies were necessary to strike the large cents of 1795, yet they appear to wear better than the cents of 1794 and 1796? They are almost as common as the preceding year and far more common than the latter.

Answer: No completely definitive answer can be given to this question. It is doubtful that the 1795 cents wore any better than the cents of 1794 and 1796. To wear better the 1795s would have to average higher relief when new or contain harder metal or both; we have no evidence that this is the case. The fact remains that 1795 as a date seems to have survived well despite the relatively few obverse and reverse dies used:

	Obverses	Reverses
1794	39	37
1795	6	8
1796 (both types)	26	28

Lack of numismatic demand is a probable factor in the availability of 1795s. Attribution guides have always helped to produce a demand. There has been a growing literature on the die varieties of 1794 beginning 80 years ago and a monograph on the 1796 varieties first appeared 40 years ago, while for the 1795s only the confusing Proskey-Doughty data were published up to two years ago. Moreover, most date collectors have acquired two specimens of 1796 (one of each type) as compared to a single 1795. This tendency has been enhanced by the desire to fill up all the holes in commercial display boards.

Another probable factor in the comparative availability of the 1795s is that, despite the inability of our early die makers to exercise proper control over the hardening of the steel coinage dies, every so often they produced a good one. There seem to have been several good ones for 1795.

However, the rarity of many varieties is due to early die failure. Some dies were cracked even before initial use. As an example of a properly-hardened die, consider Dr. Sheldon's comments on Reverse X of 1794:

"This reverse die is famous as the 'tough old lady of the big cents.' She outlasted six husbands and even at the end showed not a die break and scarcely a scratch."

However, four of the six "marriages" resulted in varieties which are rarity 5 or higher today, so the "husbands" must have cracked up pretty fast.

Question: Are large cents still legal tender, and if so, to what amount?

Answer: Legal tender and redeemability are sometimes confused. Despite many Congressional debates on the subject, copper cents were neither a legal tender nor redeemable by the government during the period of their coinage. They were made legally redeemable by the government from 1857 to 1864 and 1871 to date, as a withdrawal measure for the elimination of a discontinued coinage.

In the early years, the majority of Congress believed that the legal tender status should be applicable only to gold and silver coins. However, they were forced by circumstances to make paper money a legal tender early in the Civil War, so that by 1864 their thinking had changed enough to permit starting the **bronze** cent as a legal tender coin in payments of 10 cents or less. This amount was increased to 25 cents in 1873, but the legal tender status was not extended to the discontinued coinages of copper and nickel. However the so-called Legal-Tender Act of June 5, 1933 apparently gave all these coins an **unlimited** legal tender for public and private debts—a very sweeping law.

Question: What are the five rarest dates of large cents, in order, coined from 1793 to 1857?

Answer: 1799, 1804, 1793, 1809; 1796 and 1811 are considered a tie for fifth place.

New or Recent Issues

DESCRIBED BY ERNST KRAUS

It is the important duty of *The Numismatist* to record and illustrate all new issues. Members, both in the United States and abroad, are invited to submit new issues to Ernst Kraus, Room 1702, 444 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. The coins will be photographed and returned as soon as possible. A credit line will be given to every new issue described.



Belgium

20 Francs, 1949. Silver. Obverse: Lion with tablets of law, value below. Reverse: Head of Mercury, right, at left staff of Aesculap, dividing date. (Vernon L. Brown)

Canada

1 Dollar, 1949. Silver. Obverse: Bare head of King, left. Inscription: GEORGIUS VI. DEI GRATIA REX. Reverse: John Cabot's three masted sailship the MATTHEW, Canada above. Inscription on panel below the waves: FLOREAT TERRA NOVA, date and value below, milled edge. This coin was struck to commemorate the entry of Newfoundland into the Canadian Confederation. (Vernon L. Brown, Wm. A. Noviski, M. F. Kortjohn.)

Colombia

2 Centavos, 1948. Bronze. Obverse: Libertycap in wreath. Inscription: REPUBLICA DE COLOMBIA, date below. Reverse: Value in Roman numeral II B for Bogota mint mark, within leaves, cornucopia above, Centavos below. Values of 5 and 1 Centavos of similar design were issued during the war in bronze, but discontinued in 1946. The above coin was donated to the A.N.A. Collection through the courtesy of Mr. Ramon Nunez P.



Germany, Western Zone of Occupation

10 Pfennig, 1949. Aluminum Bronze. Plated Steel. Obverse: Branch of oak leaves surrounded by inscription: BANK DEUTSCHER LANDER, date below. Reverse: Mint mark F (Stuttgart) between two ears of wheat, value below, plain edge. (Frank Sternberg, Vernon L. Brown, A. L. Kropp)



Guatemala

10 Centavos, 1949. Silver. Obverse: Arms within wreath, inscription: REPUBLICA DE GUATEMALA, 0.720, date. Reverse: Mayan statue, value at right, inscription below: MONOLITO DE QUIRIGUA, milled edge. 5 Centavos, 1949. Silver. Obverse: Similar. Reverse: Ceiba tree, inscription below: LIBRE CREZCA FERCUNDA, milled edge.



1 Centavo, 1949. Aluminum Bronze. Obverse: Similar, but eliminating 0.720 silver content. Reverse: Bust of priest, left. Inscription above: UN CENTAVO, below: FRAY BARTOLOME DE LAS CASAS, plain edge. The above three coins have been donated to the A.N.A. Collection through the courtesy of Mr. Francisco J. Angert, of Guatemala City.



Israel

100 Prutah, 1949. Copper Nickel. Obverse: Palm tree, inscription: Israel



in Hebrew and Arabic. Reverse: Value and Hebrew date (5)709 within wreath. (Vernon L. Brown, M. McDonald, Rabbi Zev Nelson)



Jersey

1/12 Shilling, Bronze. Obverse: Crowned head of King, left. Inscription: Georgius VI. Dei Gratia Britt. Omn. Rex Fid. Def. Reverse: Arms, shield with three lions, value below: One twelfth of a Shilling.

Inscription: ISLAND OF JERSEY LIBERATED 1945. As the title IND. IMP. has been dropped, the above commemorative was probably struck in 1948 or 1949. (Martin F. Kortjohn, B. A. Seaby Ltd. of London.)

Token of Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Sir:

The Jackson City Lines, of Jackson, Miss., has issued a new transportation token, which I will be glad to supply to collectors for 10 cents each, plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID H. SMITH

A.N.A. 14865

312 Vardaman Street
Jackson, Miss.

CONVENTION NOTES

The October issue of *The Numismatist* reported the principal business transacted, but it is people who make a convention, and there was a large attendance, the largest in the history of the Association. Many in attendance were having too good a time to get their names on the official register, reproduced elsewhere in this issue, so that it is an incomplete record of those present. As usual, the crowd began to arrive early, with many on the scene on Thursday and Friday. Those from the more distant points were among the first to arrive, having combined a sight-seeing trip through the more important wonders of the West with the convention itself.

San Francisco is a fascinating city and any amount of time available for visiting its famous eating places, spots of special beauty or interest, Chinatown, the Barbary Coast, Fisherman's Wharf, and the thousand and one other things you would want to see would be inadequate.

Those arriving early did make the most of the time available. The lobby of the hotel was always full of members just getting ready to go out and eat, just coming back from same, or just talking.

The registration opened officially on Sunday morning and much of that day was spent in setting up exhibits, in meeting of committees, and in sightseeing. In the evening a well prepared entertainment was provided

by the Host Club, the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society.

After the business session on Monday the official photograph was taken, followed by the 49-mile bus tour of the city. This was a most interesting trip and included many of the more important points of interest in the city of San Francisco. The first session of the auction sale was held in the evening, conducted by the Numismatic Gallery of Beverly Hills, California. The sale was well attended, and offerings very attractive. Many a choice specimen changed hands at that sale. A special program for the ladies was arranged for this evening.

No business session was held on Tuesday. The morning was devoted to the trip to the Mint. A record number of 425 persons made that trip and reported it to have been well worth-while. The second session of the auction sale and a fashion show for the ladies made a full afternoon for those who participated in either of these events.

Tuesday evening was devoted to the more serious and educational aspects of numismatics with a Panel Discussion, Vernon L. Brown in charge as moderator. The speakers were John J. Pittman, Kenneth Lee, W. H. Philpott, Jr., Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, E. Kann, Dr. A. F. Pradeau, and M. Vernon Sheldon. A feature of this program was the announcement by the General Secretary of the awards for exhibits, as follows:

AWARDS FOR EXHIBITS AT SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION

GRAND PRIZE: Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, Omaha, Neb.

I. U. S. COINS:

First: John J. Pittman, Rochester, N. Y.
Second: V. L. Arrington, Oakland, Calif.
Third: Kenneth W. Lee, Glendale, Calif.

II. FOREIGN COINS:

First: Herman Jonas, Erie, Pa.
Second: George J. Bauer, Rochester, N. Y.
Third: Michael P. Cary, Los Angeles, Calif.

III. PAPER MONEY:

First: W. A. Philpott, Jr., Dallas, Texas.
Second: Loyd B. Gettys, Davenport, Iowa.
Third: Rudy Gjurovich, San Jose, Calif.

IV. MOST ORIGINAL EXHIBIT:

First: Emil Johnson, San Diego, Calif.
Second: H. F. Bowker, Oakland, Calif.
Third: John E. Ohls, San Francisco, Calif.

V. EDUCATIONAL:

First: Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, Omaha, Nebr.

Second: Mrs. Harry Cutler, San Francisco, Calif.

Third: Mrs. D. D. DeNise, Seattle, Wash.

HONORABLE MENTION:

Howard C. Glickert, Seattle, Wash.

Charles N. Cooley, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Earl C. Brown, Chicago, Ill.

Jack Ward, Dunlap, Calif.

Don Keefer, Chicago, Ill.

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Alexander Ritchie, Berkeley, Calif.

Vreeland H. Fraser, La Canada, Calif.

B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Texas

John S. Kachmar, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Clifford H. Bloom, San Francisco, Calif.

These awards were made through the courtesy of the Numismatic Gallery of Beverly Hills, Calif. The committee had a most difficult task in determining the exhibits to which the awards were made, for there were scores of exhibits worthy of such recognition.

The principal item of interest at the business session on Wednesday was the installation of the new officers, with B. Max Mehl doing the honors.

A children's party and entertainment on Wednesday afternoon permitted parents to relax, do a bit of last minute shopping, and packing.

The banquet on Wednesday evening was a fitting climax of a most successful convention. A superb dinner, no speakers, and with Ralph (Curley) Mitchell in charge as Toastmaster . . . and they don't come any better than "Curley." A special feature of the program was the vocal renditions by Mrs. Frances Gettys Zerrillo, sister of Past-President Loyd Gettys, and one of the most famous lyric-coloratura sopranos in America. Mr. Gettys was presented with the Association's Past President's Medal, in gold, by B. Max Mehl. Dr. J. Hewitt Judd received the trophy, furnished by the Numismatic Gallery, for the most outstanding exhibit of the convention. Numerous door prizes, and music for dancing helped to make the occasion completely satisfying.

Special mention of the following persons is made for distinctions noted:

Mr. and Mrs. B. Max Mehl, for attendance of 35 A.N.A. conventions. They were the only ones present who also attended the San Francisco convention in 1915.

George J. Bauer, who was also in attendance at his 35th convention.

A. Kosoff and Abner Kreisberg, the AK boys of the Numismatic Gallery, who prepared the Souvenir Journal, the Auction Catalog, conducted the auction, furnished the ribbon and trophy awards for exhibits, and who worked night and day for months to make the convention a success.

Ralph A. Mitchell, President of the California State Numismatic Association, co-host for the convention, who did an outstanding job as chairman of the Resolutions Committee and as Toastmaster at the banquet.

Jack Hecht and Edward Fogler, co-chairmen of the convention, for their many hours of work before and during the convention, and for most efficiently directing their committees and for assisting in every way possible to make the convention successful.

Mrs. Jack Hecht, Mrs. David Redfield, Miss June Connor, and others, who directed and assisted in the various programs for the ladies.

David Redfield, for careful and efficient attention to the Finance committee.

Roy Hill, President of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, for complete cooperation, appointment of committees, and for outstanding personal service in connection with the supervision of exhibits.

To others, whose names should appear here but inadvertently overlooked, for such a list as this could never be complete, for services which merit special thanks.

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A partial list of convention exhibitors

- V. L. Arrington:** All types of U. S. Coins.
George L. Bauer: Greek gold and silver; Roman first bronzes.
A. E. Bebee: U. S. paper money.
George H. Beurhaus: Commemorative half dollars; proof trade dollars; uncirculated and proof dollars.
Clifford H. Bloom: Ancient and Foreign gold.
F. J. Bolton: Fractional currency and other U. S. paper money; old clearinghouse certificates and checks.
Howard F. Bowker: A varied Chinese collection, including paper; Chinese coin molds; coins of Nepal and Turkestan; Siamese porcelain coins; cowries.
Basil Brandon: California transportation tokens.
Earl C. Brown: Modern Egyptian coins; Canadian coins.
Capitol City Coin Club: Foreign gold; crowns; nuggets.
M. P. Carey: Coins of the world.
Charles N. Cooley: Coins, medals, and paper money of the French Revolutionary period.
Mrs. Harry Cutler: Large Chinese "shoe" money; original Kellogg and Co. dies.
Gene DeNise: Religious coins, medals, and tokens.
Edward Ellinger: Territorial gold; silver assay bars; old gold scales and nuggets.
Vreeland H. Fraser: U. S. gold proofs; trade dollars; Philippine Wilson dollars.
Loyd B. Gettys: U. S. paper money.
Rudy Gjurovich: Fractional currency and other U. S. paper money.
Howard C. Glickert: Freaks.
Jack Hecht: U. S. minor coins; commemorative half dollars; commemorative gold.
Roy Hill: Coins of Canada, Iceland, and Greenland.
L. W. Hoffecker: "Cartoon" paper money; remarkable designs made from clippings of paper money.
A. G. K. Jakobsen: Uncirculated and proof half dollars, including a Confederate restrike.
Emil Johnson: Swedish coins displayed in very fine plaques and frames.
Herman Jonas: Medals; Chinese, Japanese, and Abyssinian gold; ancient Egyptian coins; shekels; Russian gold and platinum.
J. Hewitt Judd: U. S. patterns, a very extensive and beautiful collection.
John S. Kachmar: Presidential medals.
Sol Kaplan: Counters; Papal medals.
Don C. Keefer: Oriental gold, including Siamese "bullets"; extensive display of Annamese gold; assay silver bars; 3 Lincoln \$3 gold pieces.
Theodore Kemm: U. S. Paper money, including uncut sheets.
Fred E. Kern, Sr.: Gold dollars, including the commemoratives.
Harold R. Klein: Dollars.
Kenneth W. Lee: Over 400 pieces of 25c, 50c, and \$1 California gold pieces.
Kurt E. Lore: Ancient Greek coins; concentration camp money.
Joseph F. Maley: European gold; Confederate paper.
B. Max Mehl: U. S. Gold; silver assay bars.
Ralph A. Mitchell: Large display of Bryan "money."
R. L. Moore: Freak cents.
A. L. Novak: Roman first and second bronzes; Roman silver.
John E. Ohls: Commemorative coins of the world.

W. A. Philpott, Jr.: U. S. paper money.

John J. Pittman: Early U. S. proofs; half disme; U. S. gold proofs; South Africa sets.

Michael A. Powills: Large number of Siamese porcelain coins.

A. W. Ritchie: Chinese coins, including a coin "tree"; Chinese Soviet coins; Turkestan coins.

Fred Schaffer: U. W. gold; Roman coins, including Aes Grave.

Bob Schermerhorn: Mexican gold, including gold slugs.

Marcella L. Sheldon: Medals.

M. Vernon Sheldon: Ancient Greek coins.

N. Shibodehiko: Chinese coins.

Smith and Son: "Cartoon" paper money; Russian platinum coins; foreign gold; 9 U. S. \$50 gold pieces; Panama-Pacific set; Pioneer and Territorial gold, including the Mormon pieces.

Joseph B. Stack: 1795 half eagle in all minor varieties; Hensch and Berton gold bar, one of the only two known; Brashear doubloon pattern.

Charles B. Steele: Type sets; Presidential medals.

Milton C. Strauch: U. S. Gold and silver; foreign coins; Leyden siege money; Confederate half dollar restrike.

Louis G. Walrath: \$3 gold pieces.

Thomas W. Ward: Roman Republican silver.

Erich Werling: Crowns and multiple crowns; Swedish plate money; counterstamped and clipped coins.

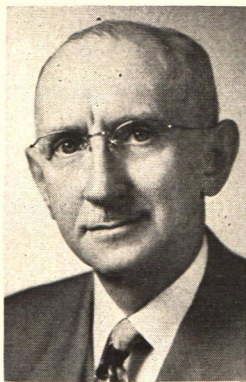
Sidney Hass and Erich Werling: Roman, Greek, and Byzantine coins; coins of the world. Mostly crowns.

Louis S. Werner: Silver souvenir mining medals; Alaska, California, Washington, Montana, Oregon, and Idaho gold coins.

W. L. Wildes: Crowns.



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Edward Fogler



Ralph Mitchell

Co-Chairmen of the Convention

**Master of Ceremonies at
the Convention Banquet**

Notes & Queries

Hollywood Academy of Numismatics

A group of well-known numismatists recently formed this academy which as its name implies, is a society of learned men united to advance the art and science of numismatics through the medium of the camera and motion pictures. Hollywood, film capitol of the world, was chosen as the best possible location for such an enterprise. The organization, now in its embryo stage, plans to produce and make available to all coin clubs and individual groups, many subjects pertaining to numismatics.

These pictures will be of a documentary nature done with sound on sixteen mm. film. Where sixteen mm. projectors with sound are unavailable, prints on home movie or eight mm. will be furnished. As sound cannot be put on the smaller film, the commentary will be available in script form with simple cues for some club member to read aloud as the film progresses. It is estimated that these pictures when produced by the skilled Hollywood technicians involved, can impart more knowledge and information in eleven minutes than an average speaker can in thirty, as the audience both see the topic and hear the commentary simultaneously. Thus three such subjects should round out a full evenings entertainment for any numismatic group.

The topic of the first picture is still unannounced, but a subject of interest to all has been given due consideration. It is regrettable that plans to photograph the recent A.N.A. San Francisco Convention as the initial production had to be abandoned. The society is not a coin club, has no officers, and is to run on a non-profit basis. Such well-known numismatists as Don Searle, Michael J. A. Moloney, Karl M. Brainard, Joe Block, Lewis M. Reagan, A. Kosoff and Jack W. Ogilvie are the organizers. Others will be included as the academy progresses.

— JACK W. OGILVIE,
Executive Secretary

North Shore and Chicago Clubs to Meet in Chicago, November 19

The Chicago Coin Club announces that its annual banquet will be held on Saturday, November 19, 1949, at the LaSalle Hotel in downtown Chicago.

This year the Club is host to the North Shore Numismatic Association, which is made up of members mainly from Milwaukee, Racine and Chicago. The event will be an all day affair beginning in the morning with the placing of exhibits and the dealer's bourse in the Press Gallery which is adjacent to the Lincoln Room where the banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. The bourse and exhibit will be open to the public from "Noon 'til Night."

At 2:00 p.m. there will be a 200 lot auction staged by the Chicago Coin Club, and we have been promised that it will be made up of choice material. This will be held in the Lincoln Room.

Door prizes and entertainment at the banquet promise to complete a full numismatic day. All activities will be on the 18th floor of the LaSalle Hotel.

Banquet tickets are available from the secretary: Earl Brown, 7005 Normal Avenue, Chicago 21, Illinois and the price is \$4 per person.

Dealers are invited to participate in the bourse. There will be a nominal charge for display case rental. For bourse space, write to the chairman of the banquet committee: Harry X. Boosel, 1623 East 55th Street, Chicago 15, Illinois.

B. Max Mehl to Sell Jerome Kern Collection Early in 1950

In the early part of 1950, B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Texas, will offer for sale the remarkable collection of coins formed by the late Jerome Kern. A deluxe catalogue is being prepared and as the edition will be a limited one, collectors are advised to get their orders in early.

The year 1950 marks the Golden Anniversary of Mr. Mehl's numismatic activities and we want to be among the first to congratulate him.

Treasury May Publish Illustrated Book on U. S. Coins and Currency

A bill was introduced before the 81st Congress to provide for the publication of an illustrated history of the coins and currency of the United States. It stated: "That the Secretary of the Treasury shall prepare, and the Public Printer shall print as a public document to be sold by the Superintendent of Documents, a book containing illustrations and photographs in black and white of the coins and currency of the United States, together with such descriptive, historical, and numismatic information with regard to such coins and currency as the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem suitable."

Gans-Grunthal Sale December 5th

A mail bid sale of some 1000 lots will be held by Edward Gans and Henry Grunthal of New York City on December 5th. It will contain a choice collection of crowns, mostly proof or uncirculated; a small but select collection of ancients; foreign gold including a few great rarities in the Dutch series; and some very fine United States coins.

As is usual, the catalogue will be illustrated with beautiful collotype plates making it a collector's item in itself.

Catalogues will be sent without charge to those requesting it. Write to either Henry Grunthal, P.O. Box 135, Washington Bridge Station, New York 33, N.Y., or to Edward Gans, 101 West 55th Street, New York 19, N.Y.

Exhibit of Paper Currency

From W. A. Philpott, Jr., Dallas, Texas, comes an interesting little booklet describing an exhibit of paper money now on display in the Dallas branch of the Federal Reserve Bank. The collection of 15 frames shows specimens representing every type of note, bill, and certificate which has circulated as money in the United States from the early Colonial period to the present day.

Mr. Philpott reports that the exhibit attracts much attention and that member banks have booked additional such exhibits solid until next August.

A.N.A. Convention Auction

\$1800.00 for the 1794 dollar was the top price at the recent A.N.A. Convention Auction sale conducted by the Numismatic Gallery at San Francisco. A set of Indian cents went for \$475.00 to a dealer.

Dealers were heavy buyers paying record prices for many coins such as \$250.00 for the 1852 silver dollar and \$255.00 for the 1893-S. The 1895 dollar brought \$71.00 and \$160.00 was the price on the 1903-O.

A record crowd and record number of mail bidders created considerable excitement.

The late silver dollars in choice condition went over catalogue quite consistently to floor buyers.

The 1884 Pattern trade dollar in copper sold for \$350.00, and the Panama Pacific set brought \$1100.

The rare New England Sixpence went at a low price of \$230.00 as did the Shilling at \$185.00.

Territorial gold coins and patterns went well with considerable competition in both series.

Surprising interest in the Floyd Starr Large Cents resulted in fine prices and the 1821 proof brought \$200.00, while a 1793 Liberty Cap fetched \$240.00.

There were plenty of bargains, such as the Half Dimes, a choice specimen, which sold for only \$140.00, and the 37½ Rouble coin of Russia which went at \$425.00.

According to Kosoff and Kreisberg of the Gallery, the sale is indicative of an active coin market at higher price levels. The anxiety of dealers to acquire coins is a reflection of lack of inventory.

A complete official list of Prices Realized at the sale is available at the Numismatic Gallery.

Gives Magazine Severe Test

Dear Editor:

I left my August issue of *The Numismatist* I was reading in the yard on top of the hedge and then forgot where I had put it. A week later after the hurricane and torrential rains, I discovered it soaked through — but all the printing legible and after drying one would never know that it had been through the storm. I think this obviously proves what a high grade magazine will stand. Some real fine paper and printing.

CHAS. A. BROWNELL
A.N.A. 13124
Clearwater, Florida

DEPARTMENT OF ODDS AND ENDS

The two most outstanding numismatic books of the year 1949, in our opinion, are **Early American Cents** by **Dr. William H. Sheldon**, and **German Talers** by **John S. Davenport**. . . . **Wayte Raymond, Inc.**, Mineola, New York, has placed on the market a new album designed to house coins of the world. Retailing at \$2 it will hold one coin from each of 96 countries. . . . **P. J. More**, Chicago, informs us that the free India's new coins for 1950 will feature three lions on the Asoka pillar in place of the king's head. . . . **It is a curious fact** that while our mints have coined 855,661,153 silver dollars since 1794, they are regarded as curiosities when discovered in circulation. . . . **Sixty per cent** of the 6,000 employees of the U. S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing are women. It is claimed they make money more skillfully than men.

A currently popular radio quiz question is "Whose portrait is on our \$10,000 bill?" It pictures **Salmon P. Chase** who is also depicted on our \$1 legal tender notes of 1862, the \$1,000 interest bearing notes of 1861, the \$10 interest bearing notes of 1863, and the \$10 compound interest notes of 1863 and 1864, and the 50-cent fractional currency of 1869 to 1875. . . . **Woodrow Wilson** adorns our \$100,000 note in the event someone offers you a washing machine for possessing such information. . . . **Vernon L. Brown** recently recorded five numismatic programs for the Department of State to be used on the Voice of America program.

Scientists estimate that there is about twice as much nickel in the earth's crust as there is copper, zinc, and lead combined. . . . **Nickel** was unknown as an element until 1751 when it was identified by the Swedish scientist Cronstedt. . . . **The First** pure nickel coins were issued by Switzerland in 1881.

The Numismatist Journal issued by the Royal Numismatic Society of New Zealand is perhaps the most useful and interesting publication of its kind that we receive. . . . **The Numismatic Society of New South**

Wales has been incorporated with the **Australian Numismatic Society**. . . . **Good news** from **O. P. Eklund** to the effect that his health is improving. . . . **Gilbert Christoph Heyde's** slim little booklet entitled **Coins** is one of the most useful compilations of numismatic knowledge that we have on our desk.

Thanks to the many readers who send in news clippings which are copyrighted by the various news services. They cannot be used in *The Numismatist* for we are not a subscriber. . . . **The First Mint** in the U. S. was the glass factory founded at Jamestown, Virginia, about 1621 to manufacture glass trading beads. The redskins raided the "mint" and destroyed it in 1622. . . . **A big order** is at hand requesting a list of the 100 most important historical coins. That's a job, brother. . . . **The devaluation** of many foreign currencies will at least make it less expensive to import foreign coins.

Information is wanted on Fractional Currency Shields. In particular, our questioner wants to know where they were made and assembled. . . . **There is also needed** a synoptic article on the Bank of the United States and its currency. . . . **Other useful** articles would treat Roman mint marks, coins of Annam, Korea, and Japan.

Club Secretaries, especially newly appointed ones, are invited to write the editor for a copy of the "style sheet" which is a real help in preparing reports. It saves a lot of re-typing too. . . . **Dictionary of Roman Coins** by **Stevenson** still remains after sixty years the most readable and informative work on the subject. It contains 929 pages, 700 wood cuts, and covers the subject from A to Z.

It costs as much to manufacture a \$1 bill as it does to manufacture a \$10,000 bill, approximately one cent each. . . . **A \$1 bill** has a life expectancy of nine months. . . . **Five \$1 bills** will pay your dues in the A.N.A. for the coming year and **Secretary Reagan's** work will be lightened if you will send it along now instead of waiting until the last minute.

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Report of the General Secretary

Admission to Membership

Applicants numbered 17702-17747, as published in the September issue have been admitted to membership.

Applicants for Membership

The following applications were received in September, 1949. If there are no objections filed prior to December 1, 1949, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the January issue.

- 17777 **Hollywood Academy of Numismatics**, 6615 Waring Avenue, Hollywood 38, Calif. Documentary Films pertaining to Numismatics. Jack W. Ogilvie.
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17805 **LeRoy J. Harvey**, 3977 Falcon St., San Diego 3, Calif. U. S. Gold and Commemoratives. Eugene D. Johnston, Dr. Bruce L. Wallace.
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17807 **Herman Lanz**, Morellenfeldg 1 Graz, Austria. General. H. W. Holzer.
17808 **E. M. Sedel**, 54th Street, Virginia Beach, Va. General. Sidney P. Finkelstein.

- 17809 **Ray H. Miller**, 11160 So. Figueroa St., Los Angeles 3, Calif. U. S. Silver Commemoratives. Paul Weiger, Charles Mills.
- 17810 **H. Sherman Harris, Jr.**, 2125½ Oakland Avenue, Baltimore 20, Md. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 17811 **Leo A. Young**, Box 115, Lockeford, Calif. U. S. Coins. Grover A. Grider. V. C. Cassilis, Ted Ross.
- 17812 **I. N. Stewart**, 1416 Bridges St., Las Vegas, Nev. General. L. A. Hensley, Abe Kosoff, M. B. Abrams.
- 17813 **Lewis H. Ripley**, Revloc, Pa. U. S. Coins. C. Albert Evans, E. J. Kane, John Milholland.
- 17814 **Paul C. Meyer**, Box 892, 446 N. 23rd St., Hot Springs, S. Dak. General. A. G. Stratton.
- 17815 **Prof. Valentine A. Shuhayevsky**, 622 West 135th St., Apt. 4B, New York 31, N. Y. Antique, Russian, Ukrainian, and Polish. Nina Evans, Von Sandio.
- 17816 **Lt. (jg) F. H. Gunkel** USN. U. S. Naval Air Station. Navy #117, c/o F.P.O., New York, N. Y. General. Lt. Comdr. G. T. Pollich, Capt. E. T. Neale.
- 17817 **Francisco Marti Rodriguez**, 67 Terraza Parque, Santruce, Puerto Rico. U. S. General. Robert Prann.
- 17818 **W. D. McCravey**, Forest, Miss. General. Warren C. Jones.
- 17819 **Elliot Lee Maddox**, 2118 Lauderdale Road, Louisville 5, Kentucky. U. S. Fractional Currency. Lawrence Lee Howe.
- 17820 **R. C. Purinton**, 920 South 4th St., Laramie, Wyo. U. S. Coins. A. E. Nottage, Paul G. Archer.
- 17821 **George Nemchik**, 1470 N. W. 61st St., Miami 38, Fla. General. S. Leo McGranaghan, Charles N. Boos, "Cap" Harold Elliott.
- 17822 **E. Paul Beatty**, 627 Seybold Bldg., Miami, Fla. U. S. Coins. S. Leo McGranaghan, Charles N. Boos.
- 17823 **Harlan H. Davis**, 6929 So. Crandon Ave., Chicago 49, Ill. General. George D. Rees, C. E. Green, Tracy L. Turner, Jr.
- 17824 **Harold McCabe**, 5843 California Avenue, Long Beach 5, Calif. General. Capitol City Coin Club.
- 17825 **B. J. Dudley**, 102 Blackbrook Rd., St. Helens, Lancashire, England. American Coins. Walter Allen, George A. Maxwell.
- 17826 **Alfredo Maragall Guaras**, Aragon St., #287, Barcelona, Spain. Spanish Coins. Salvador Fernandes Lima, Ismael D'Alzina Guaras.
- 17827 **Cecil E. Hutchings**, Box 174, Forsyth, Montana. U. S. General. Dan Traub.
- 17828 **Charles E. Herr, Jr.**, 6012 Brookside Drive, Cleveland 9, Ohio. General. Harry J. Bray, M. R. Cohen.
- 17829 **Harvey Hanson**, 1721 Brush St., Oakland 12, Calif. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 17830 **Dr. Eugene Hickey**, 114 No. Swenson, Stamford, Texas. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 17831 **Salvatore Guarini**, 631 E. Santa Inez, San Mateo, Calif. U. S. Types, Italian Crowns and Gold. E. A. Parker.
- 17832 **Walter C. Steel**, Box 180, Route 6, Tacoma, Wash. Gold Coins. Capt. Nevin H. Gibson.
- 17833 **O. J. Gee**, 416 Medical Arts Bldg., Oklahoma City, Okla. General. C. R. Ross, Ralph W. Osborne, Clyde C. Graham.
- 17834 **Virginia Drown**, 435 Cherokee Dr., Frontier Place, Erie, Pa. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 17835 **K. McDowell**, 115-75 232 Street, Cambria Heights, New York 11, N. Y. General. Burton H. Saxton.
- 17836 **Herbert A. Hill**, 110 Hearst Avenue, San Francisco 12, Calif. U. S. General. E. A. Parker.
- 17837 **William A. Noviski**, 5247 So. Railway St., Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada. Canadian Coins. Leslie B. Hill, Norman B. Mason.
- 17838 **Bruno Coluzzi**, 639 Third St., Lancaster, Pa. U. S. Coins. Samuel C. Hill.
- 17839 **Erwin F. DeYoung**, 124 Richards Ave., N.W., Grand Rapids 4, Mich. U. S. Coins. Charles N. Cooley, A. J. Urban, Garland C. Hughes.
- 17840 **Ward H. Cowan**, P. O. Box 1702, Salt Lake City, Utah. U. S. General. C. J. Zimmerman, Edward Fogler.
- 17841 **Louis Mendelson**, 167 Craig St., W., Montreal, Quebec, Canada. General. E. H. Windau, Edward Fogler.
- 17842 **Mrs. E. S. Van Nostrand**, 2403 Hayden St., Amarillo, Texas. American Coins. Edward Fogler, Francis Aid, George W. Dupree.
- 17843 **Dr. Miguel Valls**, P. O. Box 457, Laredo, Texas. Gold Coins. Ed Russell, Dr. Raul dela Garza, Edward Fogler.
- 17844 **Archie Lee White**, 3816 Monroe St., Chicago 24, Ill. U. S. Coins. Harold Dermody, M. J. Vinicky.

Deceased

- 12987 **William W. Hinchman**, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 6501 **H. C. Kammeyer**, Hinsdale, Ill.
- 9811 **Aldine E. Kohli**, Bluffton, Ohio.

Resigned

- 13596 **F. D. Brooks**, Toledo, Ohio.

Statements for 1950 Membership Dues will be mailed shortly. Your prompt attention will be appreciated by the General Secretary.

While critical comments are necessary, none of major importance is offered. A more comprehensive index would assist in re-locating important bits of information remembered from an initial reading. Purists may not care for the occasional folksy reference to "old pennies" rather than the more correct "old cents"; however, the man-in-the-street has always called them "pennies." The present confusion concerning "milled edge," "reeded edge," "upset rim" et cetera is not clarified by the reference to "milling" meaning border denticles for S-18 of 1794 and elsewhere, and again to "milled" meaning "reeded" for S-79 of 1795.

Many collectors would have preferred a variety-numbering system in which the attribution numbers begin with No. 1 for each date, rather than the straight-through numbering system which is used. However, this writer suspects that Dr. Sheldon sought by any means at his command to avoid the future assignment of unauthorized "S" numbers by uninformed persons to "new" pseudo varieties which in reality are not varieties at all. If any new true varieties are discovered (and there will surely be a few) they will probably be of sufficient rarity to be placed in the non-collectible (NC) series, which begins with NC-1 for each date. Thus Dr. Sheldon has thoughtfully provided for future orderly growth in this direction.

In the text, the term "die break variations" is used repeatedly to identify die cracks, breaks and injuries, while no generic name is used to cover die recuttings and regrindings. Some of the more strongly-marked "die break variations" are shown on the plates and are identified by the letters "VD." This writer would prefer the general name "die states" to cover *all* the progressive changes, both accidental and by design, which might happen to a die throughout its service life. It would seem that the hurried reader might easily confuse "variations" with "varieties," which are entirely different.

The above debatable points are trivial as compared to the tremendous amount of accurate and interesting data which are given.

This volume is by no means Harper & Brothers' first essay at numismatic publication. In 1861 they published W. C. Prime's well-known *Coins, Medals and Seals*. Also, four comprehensive numismatic articles appeared in Volumes 20, 23 and 24 of their monthly magazine at about this time, which was the period of most rapid growth of coin collecting in our history.

The "S" numbers will soon be in general use to classify the early cents. These attributions will be a more enjoyable task than ever before. For years to come, a personal home-library copy of *Early American Cents* will enhance the pleasure of a multitude of cent collectors and students of American numismatics. Librarians will find the book in long-term demand.

R. H. WILLIAMSON
Syracuse, N. Y.
Aug. 29, 1949

F. J. PARMALEE, A.N.A. 5091

F. J. Parmalee died at his home, 5759 S. W. 42nd Street, in Miami, Florida, on August 29. He was 72 at the time of his death. Mr. Parmalee's entire career was spent in the railroad business. He started with the W. & A. Railroad at Dalton, Georgia, famous as the route of the race between the "Texas" and the "General" in Civil War days. He later went with the C. H. & D., and was with it when it was absorbed by the B. & O. Until the time of his retirement in February, 1947, he was Division Passenger Agent for the B. & O. in Louisville. He moved to Miami on his retirement.

Mr. Parmalee's chief numismatic interest was in U. S. commemoratives, of which he had a complete set. He also collected U. S. types and Roman Imperial silver denarii. He was still actively interested in coins up to the time of his death.

He is survived by his wife, a son, Maddox Parmalee, and three grandchildren, all of Miami.

Book Reviews

EARLY AMERICAN CENTS, 1793-1814, by Dr. William H. Sheldon, with the collaboration of H. K. Downing and M. H. Sheldon. First Edition (1949.) XXVI pages preface, etc., plus 340 pages text plus 51 full-page Collotype plates with mating diagrams. Published by Harper & Brothers, New York. Cloth, 9 1/4" x 6". \$10.

This is the book which collectors of U. S. copper cents have long awaited to put an end to the classificational chaos presented by some of the earlier publications. It is of nearly equal interest to the general collector of U. S. coins. The style is lucid and incisive, the printing is excellent and the plates are perfection. The book is considered by this reviewer to be the most important contribution to American numismatics since S. S. Crosby's *Early Coins of America* appeared in 1878.

Attribution data are provided for the 327 known die varieties of the years 1793 through 1814. A straight-through numbering system is used for the 295 "collectible" varieties, while "NC" numbers are assigned to the 32 "non-collectible" varieties of which less than three specimens are known to be in collectors' hands. The plates for each variety are carefully arranged so that they form the basis for the mating diagrams, showing the various "marriages" of obverse and reverse dies.

In addition to the straight-through attribution numbers, comparable to those of the Proskey-Doughty work, the obverses and reverses on the mating diagrams and in the text are also identified by numbers and letters respectively, forming combinations such as "3-C of 1793," as in Crosby's work on the cents of that year. The much-discussed "Jefferson-Head" cents of 1795, previously described as probable counterfeits, have been raised to the status of probable mint products, and have been assigned regular attribution numbers. Never does Dr. Sheldon waver from the true concept that one (and only one) *die variety* of a coin can be struck from one pair of dies. The better known of the older attribution numbers are liberally cross-referenced. Dimensions, used sparingly, are in millimeters.

A scientific approach has been made to means for evaluating any collectible variety in any condition. A novice quickly can learn to make adequate appraisals. The method is remarkable for its simplicity; value is based on condition, rarity, and demand as evidenced by prices realized at sales in the second quarter of the twentieth century. His numerical system of condition grading seems more usable than any of the many such systems which have been proposed. It is worth careful study by collectors of other series.

A chapter is included on early mint history. Another chapter reviews the principal literature of the copper-cent series, including a bibliography. Many useful tables appear throughout the text summarizing data on rarity, basal value and cross references between Sheldon variety numbers and earlier attribution numbers.

Dr. Sheldon has happily combined the collector's delight in his favorite subject, the scientist's clarity of classification, and the medical man's keen understanding of human foibles, particularly as revealed by the rough-and-tumble of the market place. His choice of descriptive words is precise. An example is his apt use of the term "gynandroid" to describe the features of Miss Liberty on both the Liberty-Cap and Turban-Head types (pages 73 and 306); this adjective is worth a trip to the dictionary, if necessary. Dr. Sheldon's variety names are somehow reminiscent of the quaint names used for the varieties of the 1794 series by another medico-numismatist, Dr. Edward Maris, whose pioneering pamphlet first appeared just 80 years ago; however, Dr. Sheldon's variety names are a great deal more helpful when making attributions. His introductory chapters succeed in creating a nostalgic mood concerning the time in our history when these old cents were coined. Such a mood is pleasant and all too rare in today's acquisitive scramble for specimens.

Reports of Club Meetings

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE: Reports should be made promptly. Copy must be received by the 7th of the month to insure insertion in the following month's issue. As a usual thing a copy of the minutes is sent in, and almost invariably a number of items of local concern only must be cancelled. The justification for publishing these accounts lies in the numismatic information - and encouragement - to be derived by collectors generally, regardless of location. On this basis we feel it advisable to revise and condense, and, incidentally, the by-product of this course is conservation of valuable space.

ALBANY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - The 242nd meeting was held on September 8th at the Albany Institute of History and Art. President J. E. Gratton presided, and there were twenty members present.

Dr. Sartoris briefly described the merits of Dr. Sheldon's new book on Early American Cents. It was decided that a copy of the book be purchased for our library.

The Secretary reported that we had been awarded tenth place in the group competition during National Coin Week.

Dr. Sartoris and Dr. Robertson then spoke on their exhibits of numismatic items which they obtained during the summer, and Willis McKinney told us about his very interesting trip out west during his vacation and displayed the souvenirs which he acquired during the trip.

We also had a very pleasant surprise in store for us to round out the evening. Charlie Schermerhorn had a birthday and very generously provided refreshments in celebration. We wished Charlie a very happy birthday and extended our sincere thanks for the very enjoyable party.

- ANNA M. IMFELD, Secretary

ASHEVILLE COIN CLUB - The thirty-fifth meeting was held July 13th at the Wachovia Bank, with eight members and one visitor present.

Our President, Mr. Lichtenfels, was welcomed back after his stay in Florida, and gave an interesting talk.

Samuel Beck, Director of the Cherokee Museum, gave an interesting talk on the history of the Cherokee Indians and the famed Sequoia, in whose honor a commemorative half dollar is proposed. Mr. Beck pointed out that Sequoia, inventor of the Cherokee alphabet, was the only American Indian represented in the Hall of Fame, and that as yet no famed or heroic American Indians have been honored on our commemorative coins, as have the great of other races.

Our club voted unanimously to help in any possible way to make this proposed commemorative coin a reality.

- W. T. JAMES, Secretary

ASHEVILLE COIN CLUB - The thirty-sixth meeting was held September 15th with our President, Mr. G. Lichtenfels, at the Grove Park Inn. Twelve members with their wives as guests were present.

Stanley Carland and T. E. Myrick were welcomed as new members. After the business was disposed of, an interesting paper on the Texas Centennial half dollar was read by R. M. Robinson.

Our host displayed many rare and unusual items from his large collection, including Colonial coins, gold, proofs, and a very large selection of U. S. currency. W. B. Carpenter exhibited a nice collection of silver dollars.

After an interesting discussion of the exhibits, we were treated to delightful refreshments by Mrs. Lichtenfels. Later we enjoyed dancing. A wonderful evening was had by all.

- W. T. JAMES, Secretary

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB - The meeting was called to order September 1 by Captain Cockaday at 8:20 p.m. with 21 members present. Mr. Wiley acted as Secretary.

Linwood J. Slenbaker was elected to membership.

Mr. Hass, for the Program Committee, reported that Mr. Straus would present an exhibition and talk on Documents and Coins at the next meeting.

Under "The Good of the Club," Mr. Heiserman gave his usual rendition of an interesting newspaper clipping.

Dr. Plummer: Taler size coins of Malta, Mansfeld-Artern, Mantua, Mayence, Mecklenburg-Schwerin, Mets, and Milan.

- MR. WILEY, Secretary pro tem

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB - The annual meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. September 15 with 28 members present.

Under "The Good of the Club," it was reported that Mr. Cook's mother had died, and a report that Dr. Schaffer was better, and Mr. Zeg was still on the ill list.

Following this discussion, Phillip Straus gave an exhibit and talk on "Early American Documents connected with Coins."

Mr. Straus exhibited a number of documents, manuscripts, which were all collected in the last half of a century, and these were all identified with early American coins.

Among the exhibits were ship's papers signed by Jefferson; papers of the appointment of Robert Barth, Vice Consul to Prussia, signed by Abraham Lincoln.

Also exhibited, was one of the six known documents, signed by William Henry Harrison as President.

Amongst the other documents signed were a number of the early presidents which were connected with coins of different series.

At some length was discussed a series of four letters written by Commodore Perry in 1846, recommending the change from a sail boat to a steam navy.

Inasmuch as a number of our members were from Annapolis and connected with the Naval Academy, this exhibit brought a great deal of interest.

Some hundred different exhibits were shown.

To complete the exhibit, Mr. Straus exhibited a complete set of dates and over dates of large cents from 1793 through 1857.

- MELVIN FULD, Secretary

BAY CITIES COIN CLUB—The 65th meeting was called to order by Pres. Brainard at 8:00 p.m., September 14th, in Helen Foster's Restaurant in Santa Monica.

Among our guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. Gasser, Adolph Larsen, Jr., Mr. Palmer, T. W. Neilsen and Miss Margaret Snair. Ralph Mitchell of Bakersfield, President of California State Numismatic Association, explained a 27-foot feather money item he had just acquired.

Karl Brainard read an excellent paper on the Bechtler Coinage and we suspect Karl is miscast at 20th Century-Fox. He should be in the writing department.

Mr. Kosoff conducted a Quiz Program with the usual interest and enthusiasm. Winners of this contest were Ralph Mitchell, Jack Ogilvie and Miss Snair—whom we immediately snared into membership, along with Messrs. Larsen and Gasser.

In November we are to have talks by Dr. Kaffeseder on the Shekel and by Ken Older on the Standing Liberty Quarter.

— BEN SCHWARTZ, Secretary

BIRMINGHAM COIN CLUB—Regular meeting held August 16 in the auditorium of the White Dairy Company with 10 present.

Exhibits:

O. B. Hudson: U. S. proof set for 1942; 16 U. S. \$1 gold pieces; U. S. \$2½, \$3, and \$5 gold; large copper coins of Sweden, Russia, Siam and Sicily; porcelain pieces of Germany.

J. C. Faulkner: Type set of U. S. gold. \$20 pattern struck in brass; European coins.

— O. L. HURTT, Secretary

BIRMINGHAM COIN CLUB—The 56th regular monthly meeting was held September 20, 1949 in the auditorium of the White Dairy Company. There were eleven members and two guests present.

The attendance prize of 50 Unc. 1943-D cents was donated by O. B. Hudson and won by Mrs. G. H. Young.

The program consisted of the A.N.A. convention report of J. H. Morris.

Exhibits included:

J. C. Faulkner: South Carolina Railroad Company Fare Tickets.

J. H. Morris: Uncut sheet of 12 \$1 notes. Signatures of Mrs. Clark, Snyder.

— O. L. HURTT, JR., Secretary

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—The 79th meeting was held on September 19 at the Copley Plaza with Pres. Clapp presiding.

President Clapp outlined some plans for celebrating our 90th Anniversary in the spring of 1950. A medal will be struck commemorating this event. Plans include a discussion of Classical Coinage at the Lamont Library, Harvard, plus awards to Girl and Boy Scouts who pass certain merit badge tests.

There was a short quiz entertainingly handled by Arthur Conn.

Our Balopticon Projector was used again for displaying a wide range of paper money, coins and medals.

Exhibits:

Mr. Clapp: 8 Roman Republic denarii.
Mr. Conn: 1836 Gobrecht dollar, proof; American Numismatic Society medal; Battle of Antietam, comm. half-dollar in plastic case.

Mr. Gould: Harvard silver medals, Hasty Pudding Club and Institute of 1770.

Miss Levesque: Russian Liberty Bond, 1st World War, 1915.

Mr. Lowenstam: Chinese coin, beautifully engraved.

Mrs. Pond: Medal, James II and Mary, 1687, commemorating recovery of shipwrecked treasure by Sir Wm. Phips.

Mr. Schuhmacher: Souvenir Tercentenary medals of Stoneham, Salem Lowell, Marblehead, Lynn and Watertown, Mass. Centennial medals of Hancock, Maine, 1928 and Rockport, Mass., 1940. B.N.S. medals of 1873, 1920, 1935, and 1945.

Mr. Tuttle: 1949 Mexican coin struck for International Exchange.

— JUNE T. POND, Secretary

BRONX COIN CLUB—The 192nd meeting was held at the Concourse Plaza Hotel August 24th at seven o'clock. President Engel presided and twenty-two members and six guests were in attendance.

Topics for the meeting were the U. S. five dollar gold pieces from 1834 to 1908, large cents of 1800 and 1801, U. S. silver certificates of one dollar denomination, coins of countries beginning with the letter S, except Sweden, Switzerland and Spain, and medals and decorations of Germany and the German states of Germany beginning with the letters A, B and C. Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Bellus: Complete set of coins of San Marino of 1898 and silver marriage medal from France.

Mr. Bernstein: Fifteen half eagles from 1834 to 1915, and minor coins of Siam, Salvador and Straits Settlements.

Mr. Blake: 1899 silver certificate No. 1 and 100 million, 1935-D with name of Georgia Neese Clark.

Mr. Clark: 27 pieces of the odd money of Siam.

Mr. Engel: Eight current coins of South Africa from farthing to half crown, 1800 cent, four cents of 1801.

Mr. Erlanger: Sixteen coins and medals of Schwaebisch-Hall, three coins and medals of Salzburg, coin of Sinzendorf and medal of Schweinfurt.

Mr. Feldman: Coins of Serbia, Schweiz, Seljuks, Syria, Styria, Sumatra, Sarawak and Siam.

Mr. Gallo: Various coins of Sicily.

Mr. Girolamo: Coins of fourteen countries of countries beginning with the letter S.

Mr. Grunthal: Set of shillings of the five queens of England.

Mr. Kaplan: Ten varieties of colonial coins, eleven large cents of 1796 to 1826.

Mr. Knoth: Large cents of 1800 and 1801, D145 and 160, coins of Siam, Spain, Salzburg and Saxony.

Mr. Kortjohn: Coins of St. Helena, Salzburg, Seychelles, Siam, Siberia, Slovakia and Southern Rhodesia.

Mr. Kraus: Three new issues of Guatemala, 1948 two centavo piece of Colombia, and 100 prutah coin of Israel.

Mr. May: Orders, decorations, war medals and badges of Germany and of Anhalt, Baden, Bavaria and Brunswick.

Mr. Nicoletti: 1948 proof set of South Africa.

Mr. Rice: Coins of Saxony, Sardinia, Slovakia, Servia, St. Gall, Siam, San Marino and Siberia.

Mr. Salton: 1657 double thaler of Saxony, ducat of Siena, Italy, about 1514, half thaler of 1588 of Strasbourg.

Mr. Schia: Fifteen crowns of Salzburg from 1559 to 1798.

Mr. Stein: Half dirhem of Tamerlane, small bronze of Constans II with legends in Arabic, struck at Emessa.

Mr. Sweyd: Collection of U. S. one dollar bills.
Mr. Trotta: Book with fractional currency.

Mr. Von Sandro: Gold ten rouble coins of Peter III and Catherine II of Russia, 1916-D Mercury dime in very fine condition.

Mr. Wagner: Fourteen German decorations.

— MARTIN F. KORTJOHN, Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB — The regular 195th meeting was held September 7th, 1949, at the Hotel Granada with 34 members and 5 guests present and President C. H. Ryan in the chair.

A most detailed report of the A.N.A. convention was rendered by our President with some assistance by our other members who were fortunate in having been able to attend. In addition to getting a 'bird's eye' picture of the high lights which transpired in San Francisco, we were also entertained by the stories of the members' respective experiences en route across the continent.

After a vote duly taken a resolution was adopted that the 200th meeting of the Brooklyn Coin Club to be held in February, 1950 will be celebrated appropriately and that a medal will be struck to commemorate the event. The committee in charge of the affair was then appointed and consists of Joseph Silverman as President, and Messrs. Coffin, Feldman, Heft, Kemm, Maley, Nicoletti and Portolano.

In a very pleasant proceeding all members of the Brooklyn Coin Club who participated in National Coin Week were awarded medals of the A.N.A.

Exhibits by members and guests were as follows:

Mr. Bernstein: U. S. gold dollar commemoratives: 1903 Louisiana and McKinley, 1905 Lewis and Clark, 1916 McKinley and 1922 Grant with and without star.

Mr. Blake: 10 rare N. Y. City National Banknotes of the 1st and 2nd Charter periods of First National Bank, Bank of Commerce, Chase National Bank and the American Exchange National Bank; Five dollar Federal Reserve Bank of New York with inverted back.

Mr. Coffin: Mementos of the A.N.A. San Francisco convention.

Mr. A. R. Feldman: Coins of Iceland, Ireland, Ionian Islands, Isle of Man, Iraq, Iran, India and Italy.

Mr. S. Feldman: Israel: 100, 50 and 25 Prutah.

Mr. Friedberg: Silver pattern 5 mark pieces of 1929 and 1930 for the Zeppelin issue of which only 8 of each date were struck.

Mr. Gallo: 5 silver coins of Clement XII: ½ scudo to a Giulio.

Mr. Heft: 1890 \$2 coin note Rosecrans and Nebeker (S. red); 1891 \$50 coin note Rosecrans and Nebeker (S. red); 1880 \$1 legal tender Rosecrans and Huston (L. Brown); A.N.A. SF convention badge; Brooklyn Coin Club booster badge.

Mr. Hollander: Piece of "American Coin" glass.

Mr. Horowitz: U. S. 1794 cent; Persia: 5 Krans 1933.

Mrs. C. Hutt: Isles du Vent 1731.

Mrs. W. O. Hutt: 22 coins of India, 5 local tokens and 12 cavaet emptor coins; Gros of St. Louis; Blanc of Charles VI; Coins of Grand Duke Gothard Kettler of Livonia 1559-1587.

Mr. Kaplan: 10 different unc. standing Liberty quarters; 9 varieties of 1794 cents H6, 12, 14, 15, 16, 21, 23, 49 and 51.

Mr. Jenkins: 1949 set of Canadian coins.

Mr. Kemm: Set of Liberty standing quarters; various coins of India, Iraq and Iran.

Mr. Kimpfner: Montfor ½ Carolus 1734.

Mr. Kortjohn: 47 coins of India: Complete set of U. S. quarters 1916 to 1930 from all mints.

Mr. Krauss: Coins of Indore, Iraq, Iran and British India.

Mr. Lang: Barber quarters 1892-1916 XF to Unc.

Mr. Maley: Medal of the A.N.A. convention 1949; 1948-S cent souvenir from the Superintendent of the Mint; Rubber "buck" from San Francisco.

Mr. Mertik: Complete set of British Indian coins of George VI.

Mr. Nicoletti: Canada: 1949 set; England: 1949 set with both types of shillings.

Mr. Ryan: U. S. pattern set in aluminum of 1869 of \$20, \$10, \$5, \$3, and \$1.

Mr. Salton: "Charon's Obol," gold coin given to the dead of noble families, to pay their fare to the ferryman Charon for crossing the river to the other world, made bracteate-like by using an aureus or denarius as die on a golden planchet; Brunswick: Duke Frederick Ulric broad quintuple taler from the Hart Mountain silver mines, 1620.

Mr. Schiffman: Fiji set 1942.

Mr. Schwartz: Collection of tokens and medals commemorating balloon flights from 1823 to 1937.

Mr. Silverman: Standing Liberty quarters complete except for the 1918 over 1917-S.

Mr. Smith: Large cent 1816 NA-2 uncirculated.

Mr. Susskind: Native India States, elephant and Lion dumps; Counterstamped copper and silver of Spain, Tobago, Gt. Britain, Haiti and Kwang Tung; Philippines 4 Peso 1861 counterfeit; Ireland: Kilkenny farthing; Scotland: Turner C 1604; France: 25 centimes 1904 uniface and 10 centimes 1927 with hole not cut out; Tokens: Feltman's 5 cents of Coney Island, Hotel Brighton 5 cents and Fourth Marines Club of Shanghai 5 cents.

Mr. Voigt: Barber quarters 1892 through 1916 XF to unc.

Mr. Wise: Double eagle 1900 unc.; Double eagle 1900 proof — the unc. double eagle being one of 150 dug up in Monterey, California in 1948.

— IRVING MERTIK, Secretary

CHICAGO COIN CLUB — The 368th meeting was held Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 84 E. Randolph St., President G. R. Ostrander presiding. There were 60 members and guests present.

The President welcomed Alden and Marie Boyer who had not attended our meetings for some time.

After some discussion the Revised By-Laws were accepted as presented by the committee.

Ben Wolman, Robert A. Johanson and Halloween Martin Kurtzeborn were elected to regular membership.

The application of Mrs. Jane H. Rauhen was read and referred to the Membership Committee.

A motion that the name of Chicago Coin Club be listed in the telephone directory under the secretary's telephone number failed to carry.

Col. Curtis presented the exhibits which were by:

Mr. Giello: Play Money; Wooden Nickels; Washington, Lafayette and Lincoln Medals.

Mr. Lindall: A.N.A. Convention photo and badge.

Mr. Jonas: Chicago—World's Fair 1893 Brown Rubber Medal 70 mm. by Harburg Rubber Comb Co., Hamburg, Germany; New York—The Hard Rubber & Cane Co., Rev. Universal International Exhibition at Philadelphia, 55 mm. Black Rubber; New York—Valentine & Co., Rev. The Centennial 1776-1876, Carriage Exhibition, Philadelphia; Chicago—Hindenburg Square Bronze Plaque 70 mm. Rev. 8 line inscription issued by German & Austrian-Hungarian Relief Society, Chicago; 2 var. of Century of Progress medals with bust of v. Hindenburg.

Mr. Bebee: Panama Pacific Set of Exposition coins including \$50 pieces.

Mr. Smedley: Full sets of foreign coins in plastic holders: 1936 Italian; 1947 Italian; 1925 Guatemala; 1932 Southern Rhodesia; 1948 South Africa; and 50 centime and 2 franc essay pieces of France, 1946.

Mr. Sheldon presented A.N.A. 25-year Member silver medals to Alden Scott Boyer, Marie Boyer and Ernest Jonas. These members were not at the A.N.A. Convention and the General Secretary asked that our club make the presentation and it was very fitting that this could be done by the newly elected President of A.N.A. Mr. Boyer is a Past President of both A.N.A. and Chicago Coin Club.

Mr. Boyer spoke about numismatics in Chicago in the early years of this century and about his various hobbies—the latest being old photographic studios and equipment. Mrs. Boyer expressed her pleasure in receiving her 25-year medal.

Mr. Smedley spoke of tentative plans for our Annual Banquet with tentative date November 19, and the possibility of an auction being held in the afternoon.

Mr. Smedley called for volunteers to exhibit at a Hobby Show at Arlington Heights, September 13, 14 and 15. The response was good and plans were made.

Mr. Sheldon was called upon to tell us about the A.N.A. Convention in San Francisco and of plans for the future. He did so, emphasizing the educational program.

—EARL C. BROWN, Secretary

CHICAGO COIN CLUB—The 369th meeting was held Tuesday, October 4, 1949 at 84 E. Randolph St., President G. R. Ostrander presiding. There were 78 members and guests present.

Mrs. Jane H. Rauhen was elected to membership.

The applications of James Rauhen (our first Junior member) and Philip J. More were read and referred to the membership committee.

Messrs. Boosel and Smedley reported on plans for our Annual Banquet, November 19, 1949 at the LaSalle Hotel. Chicago Coin Club will be host to the North Shore Numismatic Association and we will have an all-day affair with exhibits, bourse, auction, banquet and entertainment.

Mr. Ostrander reported that the exhibits made by several of our members at the Hobby Show in Arlington Heights Sept. 13, 14, and 15 were well received. He also announced the exhibit by the Hawthorne Coin Club to be held Thursday, Oct. 6, 1949 in Albright Gymnasium.

It was with regret that we heard of the death of H. C. Kammeyer on Sept. 8, 1949. Mr. Kammeyer had been a member of our club since January 4, 1939.

The President called attention to the fact that our Club can now accept Junior members, and asked all members who knew of any Juniors who were seriously interested in numismatics to try to get them to attend some of our meetings.

Col. Curtis presented the exhibits which were by:

Mr. Giello: Play money and medals.

Mr. Jonas: Silesia-Munsterberg-Oels, Ducats 1533-1546-1557; St. Louis, Mo. 1904 Alum. Token issued by F. Zerbe; rare U. S. Coin Price Lists.

Mr. Doak: Several large coins of unusual metals.

Mr. Brown: Wooden 7½¢ for Pacific Northwest Convention; German Bank notes, Series 1948, 5 and 10 marks; snapshot of Numismatic Gallery.

Mr. Kopicki: Souvenir card with 1948-S cent presented to the A.N.A. visitors to the "S" Mint.

Mr. Bebee: Dr. Limpert's book on large size paper money. This was a loose leaf book with acetate pocket containing \$20, \$50 and \$100 notes of 1st Charter period inserted in the binder opposite the printed reproductions of the reverses; 1862 and 1863 Legal Tender Notes, \$1 to \$100; a Christmas Folder with \$2½ gold piece.

Mr. Giello won the prize for "best description of exhibit," the prize being a large-size note donated by Mr. Green. Mr. Jonas, for "best exhibit" won a year's subscription to The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine donated by Mr. Bebee.

Mr. Smedley announced that the South Side Bourse meetings to be held the first Friday of each month would begin Oct. 14th at 6324 Woodlawn Ave.

We were pleased that Mr. A. Kosoff, one of our West coast members, planned his trip East so as to be with us at this meeting. He gave us an interesting talk about the California Coin Clubs and their members, two of whom, Messrs. Ruby and Panosh are now on the Board of Governors of the A.N.A. He also described the types of programs presented by several of the California clubs. Mrs. Kosoff also attended the meeting and we enjoyed having them with us.

Following Mr. Kosoff's talk we had an auction of 38 lots, Mr. Rayson being the auctioneer.

—EARL C. BROWN, Secretary

CLEARWATER COIN AND STAMP CLUB—The 12th regular meeting of the Club was held on August 31st at the Chamber of Commerce, Clearwater, Florida, with President Douglas Brown presiding.

The Club, which is now one year old, and has a membership of 40, reelected all of its officers. Douglas Brown continues as President, Capt. John T. Baugh as Vice President, Chas. A. Brownell as Secretary and Jack Kiefer as Treasurer, Murray L. Booth, Librarian and Curator.

The following exhibits were enjoyed:

H. D. Holt—Small Cents, beginning with a beautiful 1856 Flying Eagle, through the balance of the Flying Eagles, all of the Copper Nickel and Bronze Indian Heads, and all of the Lincolns to date.

Murray Booth—An exhibit of Large Cents and crisp Legal Tender Notes.

Jack Kiefer—Complete type set of brilliant uncirculated Commemorative Half Dollars.

J. L. Goehring—Used U. S. Single Stamps.

Thomas P. Dowd - Franklin Delano Roosevelt Stamp Album, devoted exclusively to stamps issued in honor of the late President.

- CHAS. A. BROWNELL, Secretary

ELKHART COIN CLUB - The 40th meeting held September 12 at the home of the President, William G. Davidson.

Exhibits on display were the following:

William G. Davidson: Complete set of uncirculated commemorative half dollars; proof sets, and a collection of crisp currency.

William C. Davidson: Circulated set of Lincoln head cents.

William Brimelow: Several sets of uncirculated Irish coins. Uncirculated 1948 Maundy money.

Prizes went to Robert Ziems, John Richards, Al Goeller and Merle Toney. At 8:15 p.m. the President, William G. Davidson, announced that Mr. Toney would talk on "Counterfeiting" which was well received.

Medals were distributed to Mr. Davidson, Davidson, Jr., Mr. Meiser, Mr. Ziems, Kenneth Cook and William Brimelow for their participation in National Coin Week. The certificate was framed and turned over to the curator. The members wish to thank the American Numismatic Association and the National Coin Week committee for their kindness in awarding us the certificate and medals.

- WILLIAM BRIMELOW, Secretary

LEHIGH VALLEY COIN CLUB - The 113th meeting of the Club was held at the St. James Reformed Church, Allentown, Pa., Sept. 15, 1949, with 46 members and guests present. The meeting was called to order by the Pres. A. Detweiler.

Two new members were received in the club and also six applications were received for membership.

The Door Prize was won by Mr. H. Minnich.

The Banquet Committee reported that Vernon L. Brown, New York City will be the speaker for our Banquet which will be held in Palmerton, Pa.

Coffee and cake were served after the meeting and Mr. F. Smith acted as auctioneer for the auction that followed.

A report of the A.N.A. Convention was given by Mr. Coss and Mr. K. Lobb.

- K. LOBB, Secretary

MIAMI COIN CLUB - The regular monthly meeting was held at the YMCA Sept. 15th. Meeting was called to order by President Ginn with 25 members and five guests present. Three new members were elected to membership. Guest of honor was Charles Boos, A.N.A. district secretary for South Florida.

Mr. McGranaghan, Treasurer, displayed coin boards showing the grading of coins by reputable dealers and gave a short talk on how to judge gradings.

William Hanks not only gave a talk on the cleaning of coins but actually cleaned several coins in a demonstration.

- LEONARD SPIEGEL, Recording Sec'y

MILWAUKEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

- The 180th meeting was held Friday evening, September 16, 1949 at the Red Arrow Club. President Culver presided. Twenty-eight members and three guests were present.

A kind offer of assistance, if needed, for the 1950 Convention from E. A. Parker of San Francisco was read.

The Wisconsin Hobby Exposition's letter confirming our reservation of booth space at the Milwaukee Auditorium (Nov. 24, 25, 26) was read. We have been granted a display area, the dimensions of which are 16 x 32 feet.

Pacific University's letter regarding its issuance and sale of "wooden" souvenir money was read.

President Culver introduced the newly elected president of the A.N.A., and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. Vernon Sheldon. Mr. Sheldon, who is also a long-time member of this club, reported on the recent A.N.A. convention and lauded the past president of the A.N.A., Mr. Loyd B. Gettys. He then outlined the plans of the A.N.A. for the 1950 convention and also spoke about the medals awarded by the A.N.A., the various committees for slides, awards, National Coin Week, and many other interesting facts about the A.N.A. Mr. Sheldon suggested that action be taken by the Milwaukee Numismatic Society to write a manual concerning the numismatic history of Wisconsin. Members reacted favorably to this proposal and a papers committee will be appointed by President Culver. Speaking about a new "District Representative" plan, Mr. Sheldon pointed out the advantages of having an A.N.A. representative in each club; his job similar to job of the present District Secretary. Mr. Sheldon finished his fine talk by introducing the National Coin Week chairman for 1950, Mr. Harry Boosel.

Mr. Boosel highlighted the Chicago Coin Club's annual banquet to be held on Saturday, November 19, 1949.

Richard S. Yeoman and Mrs. Sheldon added further favorable comment about the A.N.A. convention. Mrs. Sheldon especially praised the entertainment program for the ladies attending the convention.

Charles N. Sherman was elected to the membership.

Exhibits:

James Buchbinder: A 20 Peso Mexico calendar-stone gold piece, and a South Africa Paul Kruger One Pound (20/) in gold.

Frank Schilz displayed a California 1912 gold piece, a Graf Zeppelin gold medal, a small silver souvenir piece struck for the 1939 Golden Gate Exposition.

Mr. Sherman displayed a U. S. Assay Office \$50 gold slug of 1852.

Edw. Gengler and L. V. Hinkley displayed 4 large copper-plated paper-weight souvenirs from the National Parks; the reverses showing scenes at the various parks. A Canadian \$10 gold piece of 1912 was also on display.

Don Keefer displayed a collection of Spanish pillar dollars of all dates issued except the 1732. Medals, coins and papers commemorating the poet Goethe were also displayed.

- LEONARD V. HINKLEY, Secretary

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB - Meeting, Friday evening, September 9, Damon Douglas, president, presiding. There were nineteen members and four guests present.

Exhibits were made by the following: M. F. Kortjohn: 17 coins of Belgium, 12 of Belgium Congo. U. S. eagles of 1907, four pattern eagles.

O. T. Sghia: Hard Times Tokens - Low No. 146 and 158; eleven crown size pieces of Belgium.

Oscar G. Schilke: Eagles of 1895, 1907 and 1909.

Geo. H. Blake: An album of about 50 National Bank Notes in \$5 to \$20 denominations.

Damon G. Douglas: 12 ancient coins of Sicily.

Damia Francis: Wooden nickel to celebrate the 72nd annual Watermelon Day festivities at Rocky Ford, Colorado.

J. R. Francis: Eagles 1893 and 1900.

W. H. Arthur: A small collection of guerrilla money used in the Philippine Islands by the U. S. forces during the last war, in denominations of 5, 20, and 50 centavo notes; also, the 2 and 5 peso pieces. Half-crown "Gun Money" Jacobus II 1690, unc.

Harry C. Mathews: Belgian Congo - 1, 2, 5, 10 centimes of 1888 and 1887 unc. Belgium - 5 franc 1869; 1 franc of 1886-1909, 1913-1914.

R. Gallo: Silver and gold coins of Sicily, 5th to 16th century.

Harold Bareford: Eagle of 1833, uncirculated; Silver Dollar Hazeltine No. 10, uncirculated.

Henry Grunthal: Palatinate gold florin 1491 of Philip the Sincere. Three silver coins of the Crusaders Boemund VII, Hugo IV, Peter I.

L. Kusterer: Belgium - 50 franc of Brussels exposition and centenary of Belgian railroads, 1935.

J. Ford, Jr.: Notes and photographs concerning the entire series of 1785 "Confederatio" cents, including the rare muled reverses. Also, 1795 and 1802 silver dollars, very fine condition. Counterstamped store card "Use Millers hair invigorator, 295 Bowery, N. Y." on a one reale piece of Peru, Adams No. 582.

J. H. Spray: Eagles - type of 1866. Philadelphia, New Orleans, Carson City and Denver mint specimens. Type of 1907 wire edge and rolled edge - Philadelphia and Denver Mint specimens. Type of 1908 with motto - Philadelphia, San Francisco and Denver specimens.

Ray Carpenter: Eight British war medals of World War II. British Victory medal World War I Dutch legends. Philippine Wounded Soldier's medal the equal of our Purple Heart, for World War II. Murphy and Roosevelt-Quezon coins of the Philippines, 1936.

Mr. Brown presented to Leonard Kusterer his twenty-five year membership medal in the A.N.A.

Mr. Schilke moved that the presidential medals donated to the Club by F. C. C. Boyd be sold at auction at our October meeting. That the secretary mail to the members a list of the medals to be sold with the minimum price for each medal. Carried.

Mr. Spray read several newspaper clippings of numismatic interest.

There was a discussion on a proposal by Mr. Sghia that the Club participate with other local clubs in a numismatic show. The following committee was appointed to work out the details with the other clubs: Messrs. Sghia, chairman, Stein, Erlanger and Gallo.

Mr. Brown gave a report on the A.N.A. Convention in San Francisco.

- VERNON L. BROWN, Secretary

OREGON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY -

The regular meeting was held at the Benson Hotel, Portland, Oregon, on Monday evening, September 12th, with 27

members present. Guests introduced were: Mrs. F. C. Powell and Miss Card. Roy E. Williams was elected to membership in the society.

The program consisted of short talks by the members who had attended the A.N.A. convention on the features of the convention or the city of San Francisco which most impressed them. All were enthusiastic about their trip.

Displays also included many of the new pieces which had been brought back from the convention, as well as souvenirs of the trip.

- RUTH W. THOMPSON, Secretary

OTTAWA COIN CLUB - The 1949-50 season of the Ottawa Coin Club got off to a successful start on the evening of September 19th. A large number of members and visitors were on hand at the Public Archives to welcome two outstanding guests - L. A. Renaud and Fred Bowman of Montreal. Both of these Canadian numismatists are widely known. Mr. Renaud for many years has been the curator of the Chateau de Ramezay and Secretary of the Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal. Mr. Bowman is well known as the author of such authoritative works on Canadian numismatics as "The Decimal Coinage of Canada and Newfoundland" and "The Designers and Engravers of Canadian Coins and Tokens."

Mr. Bowman gave a very excellent talk on the Bouquet Sous, illustrating his remarks with large scale drawings of all varieties. Mr. Renaud presented the club with a lead plate bearing impressions of the obverse and reverse of Breton 689, the dies of which are in the possession of the Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal. These are the only dies of this series known to be in existence. Both gentlemen answered many questions on the Bouquet Sous and Canadian Numismatics generally.

The President, G. R. L. Potter, outlined the tentative plans for getting out a monthly, or at least periodic, club bulletin. Four new members were admitted to the club membership. Through the courtesy of the Honorary President, Pierre Brunet, all future meetings of the club will be held at the Public Archives of Canada, Sussex Street, Ottawa.

- SHELDON S. CARROL, Capt.,
Secretary-Treasurer

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB - The 171st meeting held September 20 in the Benjamin Franklin Hotel was attended by 33 members and guests with Vice President Whitney in the Chair.

James L. Edwards was elected to membership.

Col. Joseph Moss thanked the members for their years of support for him as a member of the Board of Governors of the A.N.A. He also gave a fascinating report of the recent San Francisco Convention.

Exhibits:

Richard T. Hoobler: Photographs of rare Vermont colonial notes. Dutch medals, three gold and five silver, depicting ships.

Howard Street: Types of half dollars from 1806 to date.

Julius Windner: Dutch medal of 1792 in silver as a donation to the Ballard-Wismer memorial fund.

- ARTHUR SIPE, Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION - The 832nd meeting was held September 6th, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences. President J. J. Pittman presided. There were present 23 members and 4 visitors.

Alphonse A. Kolb, designer and engraver of the Rochester Numismatic Association medals was presented with the American Numismatic Association 25-year Medal in silver in token of his having been a member of the A.N.A. that length of time. The presentation was made by Mr. Pittman acting for Mr. Reagan, General Secretary.

Exhibits:

Charles W. Foster: Medal for the 100th Anniversary of the B. & O. R. R. Set of coins of Edward VII.

Charles Ricard: 1806 U. S. Quarter dollar, very scarce die break variety, in extremely fine condition.

J. J. Pittman: 1938 South Africa proof set, 1946 Iran Gold Pehlevi, 1936 Indore - $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ Anna.

George J. Bauer: A collection of Russian roubles in very rare and unusual condition. Peter First, Peter Second, John Third, Catherine First, Elizabeth.

Herbert W. Vanden Brul: A coin decorated mace from Indian tribes in Bolivia. Decoration consists of coins of Bolivia, Peru and Spain. A small llama with two silver baskets across its back. Baskets are made from silver coins of Chile.

- NORMAN F. PRINCE, Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION - 833rd meeting called to order by Vice President Pittinger at 8:20 p.m. Meeting was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences. There were present 31 members and 10 visitors. Among the visitors were six ladies. The program for the evening was presented by Messrs. John I. McGowan and Charles W. Foster.

Mr. McGowan spoke on the "Whys and Wherefores of Wooden Nickels."

Mr. Foster chose as his subject "Countermarked Coins." Both speakers made their subjects of interest to the listeners, many significant points being brought out.

Exhibits:

C. F. Starr: Wooden nickel, Town of Hampton, N. H., 1938.

F. Emmett Peake: A series of JEFIMKI (Counterstamped Crowns from various parts of Europe) bearing the portrait of the TSAR on Horseback and the 1655. Caused one of the great financial and economic revolutions of 17th Century Russia.

E. F. Meinhart: Japanese hilt money, inlaid with ornate and unusual. Chinese large size wooden temple money. Old, thick piece, used to remind the people of their obligation to support temples.

C. W. Foster: 1902-O dime, freak, Blank Lincoln cent planchet, Uniface nickel coin, the size of a quarter with an eagle surrounded by stars. Origin unknown.

H. W. Vanden Brul: Tibet - 3 Srang, 1937; India - 1 Rupee 1840, East India Co.; 1 Rupee 1917; $\frac{1}{4}$ Anna 1936; 1 Cent 1845, East India Co.; $\frac{1}{4}$ Anna 1913 Gwallor; $\frac{1}{2}$ Anna Indore; 1 Paisa 1868-1911 Hyderabad; 1/20 Anna Early XIXth Century, South India.

- NORMAN F. PRINCE, Secretary

SOUTHEASTERN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION - The 41st meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President

Leon Forbes. Bill Nolting, 1st Vice President, was called upon by the chairman to speak and made an extemporaneous speech on the aims of the S.N.A. and A.N.A., and congratulated the active participants of National Coin Week who were awarded prizes for their efforts. There were twenty members and two guests present at the meeting.

Awarding of medals for participation were awarded to the following members: J. H. P. DePass, William J. Petermann, Chief Walter W. Reeves, all of Jacksonville, Fla., and J. Wm. Decker, H. D. Lohman, and L. E. Walters, all of Ferdinand, Ind.

Doc DePass read an article from the San Diego Numismatic Society Bulletin named the Lincoln Penny which was very interesting. J. V. McDermott of South Milwaukee, Wis., donated coins and medals which were awarded to members attending the meeting.

Meetings will be held at the Seminole Hotel, Downtown Jax. on the second Thursday in the month by unanimous vote of the entire membership. Swapping of coins, auction sale and general review of collections were made after the meeting.

- WILLIAM J. PETERMANN, Secretary

SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB - Resuming our regular monthly meetings after an idle summer period we got off with a bang with a good turnout.

We had two very good displays. The first was an European silver by Mr. Carter and the second an U.S. silver by Mr. Morris. In Mr. Morris' talk he explained his reason for collecting certain types and he also stated that some of his coins were collected by his grandfather on an expedition into the West and Mexico in 1836. These were given to him in the late '80s to start him on the road to collecting.

- C. W. CARRIER, Sec'y and Treas.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY COIN - The 183rd regular meeting held Sept. 20th at the New Rochelle Y.M.C.A., was an "Open-to-the-Public" affair with 16 members and a like number of guests present. Affairs of business were deferred and Pres. Johnson opened the meeting with a welcome speech on the subject of the coin collecting hobby. Mr. Coppini, eminent sculptor and designer of the Texas Commemorative half dollar, was unfortunately unable to attend as guest speaker, but our own Ed Lewis substituted very appropriately with a highly interesting talk on coin collection in general. He mentioned many of his own personal experiences. Mr. Jennewein, another noted sculptor, was introduced to the group.

Following the talks, club members who brought their "favorite coins" for exhibit were called upon to elaborate and explain the interesting features of their displays. Julius Guftag, founder of the club, spoke briefly regarding his early coin collecting years. The meeting was adjourned early to enable members and guests to view the exhibits of the evening.

- STEPHEN HART, Secretary

WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB - The annual meeting was held at the City Shrine Club Wednesday, September 7th at 8:00 p.m. There were present twelve members. The meeting was called to order by President Cessna.

B. G. Charles gave an interesting talk on the 20c coin giving its history, the extent of its minting and a lot of other interesting features. He illustrated his talk with a display of 20c coins. Mr. Cessna also displayed and talked on this coin, also Martin Watson.

Norris Bruce reported that he received a letter of congratulations, also a silver medal from the American Numismatic Association which he received for having been a member of the American Numismatic Association for the past 25 years. All of our members congratulated Member Bruce on this honor. Our Club Members think that it was a very fine thing for the A.N.A. to honor 25-year members in this manner.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Norris Bruce; vice president, B. G. Charles; secretary-treasurer, George H. Hetzel; librarian, Martin L. Johnson.

— MARTIN L. JOHNSON, Secretary

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB—The 342nd meeting was held Wednesday, Sept. 14, at Hotel Carter with 25 in attendance. The business meeting was devoted to reports from delegates who attended the San Francisco convention.

The following exhibits were briefly described.

E. G. Bell: Group of facsimiles of Japanese gold; German satirical medals. Fred Hahlen: California Gold Rush medal.

W. M. Jacka: Photograph of 3 Dix tokens not in Hettrich & Guttag.

J. F. Sawicki: Silver plated Waterloo medal, 120 mm, designed by Pestrucchi.

A. P. Spencer: Roman libral as, hemi-obol of Athens; stater of Aegina.

— AMBROSE P. SPENCER, Secretary

WORCHESTER COUNTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—Meeting held September 9 with President Tilton in the chair.

Miss Cloues informed the Society that she had verified at the American Antiquarian Society the information contained in an article on the Massachusetts and California Co. in Hobbies Magazine. As part of her Library report she also read two short articles, one on the leaf variety freak 1944 dime and the other on the Washington cent or coin also known as a button.

All members were urged to help locate some of the books missing from our library.

President Tilton announced that the nominating committee would be named at the November meeting and the December meeting would be a dinner and installation of the new officers for 1950.

The prizes, ribbon and certificates awarded our Society for winning second place during National Coin Week were displayed.

A Booker T. Washington half dollar and an 1828 half cent were auctioned off and won by Clifford Howes and Joseph Paul. One application for membership was received and Ralph Brown conducted a question and answer period. A short article on various moneys of the world was read by John Kittredge and the meeting ended with a report by Earl Tuttle on the San Francisco Convention.

— EARL BELLIS, Secretary

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED BY MINTS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1949

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
SILVER					
Half dollars			\$252,000.00	\$252,000.00	1,008,000
Quarter dollars					
Dimes					
Total Silver			\$252,000.00	\$252,000.00	1,008,000
MINOR					
Five-cent pieces			\$511,800.00	\$511,800.00	10,236,000
One-cent pieces			17,150.00	17,150.00	1,715,000
Total Minor			\$528,950.00	\$528,950.00	11,951,000
Total domestic coinage ..			\$780,950.00	\$780,950.00	12,959,000

COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

Mint	Country	Metal	Denomination	Total Pieces
Philadelphia	Ethiopia	Bronze	10c	6,136,000
Philadelphia	Ethiopia	Bronze	5c	5,760,000
San Francisco	Venezuela	Copper, nickel	5 centimos	7,400,000
San Francisco	Venezuela	Copper, nickel	12½ centimos	3,800,000
San Francisco	Venezuela	Silver	25 Bolivar	4,477,944
Total				27,573,944

ACCUMULATIVE MINT REPORT FOR 1949

(Number of pieces struck)

	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver
Half dollars — Regular	4,192,000		3,656,000
Half dollars — Booker T. Washington	12,004	12,004	12,004
Quarter dollars	7,900,000		7,419,600
Dimes	30,940,000		26,034,000
Five-cent pieces	17,152,000	9,716,000	26,089,000
One-cent pieces	160,890,000	52,250,000	89,370,500